





Shipping—Steamers.

HONGKONG, CANTON, MACAO AND WEST RIVER STEAMERS.

JOINT SERVICE OF THE HONGKONG, CANTON AND MACAO STEAMBOAT CO., LTD., AND THE CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LTD.

HONGKONG-CANTON LINE.

S.S. "HONAM," ..... 2,363 tons ..... Captain H. D. Jones.  
"POWAN," ..... 2,338 " ..... " W. A. Valentine.  
"FATSHAN," ..... 2,760 " ..... " R. D. Thomas.  
"HANKOW," ..... 3,073 " ..... " C. V. Lloyd.  
"KINSHAN," ..... 1,995 " ..... " J. J. Lossius.  
Departures from HONGKONG to CANTON daily at 8.30 A.M. (Sunday excepted), 9 P.M. and 10.30 P.M. (Saturday excepted).  
Departures from CANTON to HONGKONG daily at 8.30 A.M., 3 P.M. and 5.30 P.M. (Sunday excepted).  
These Steamers, carrying His Majesty's Mails, are the largest and fastest on the River. Special attention is drawn to their Superior Saloon and Cabin accommodation.

SERVICE OF THE HONGKONG, CANTON AND MACAO STEAMBOAT CO., LTD. HONGKONG-MACAO LINE.

S.S. "HEUNGSHAN," ..... 1,993 tons ..... Captain G. F. Morrison, R.N.R.  
Departures from Hongkong to Macao on week days at 2 P.M. Departures on Sundays at Noon.  
Departures from Macao to Hongkong daily at 8 A.M.

CANTON-MACAO LINE.

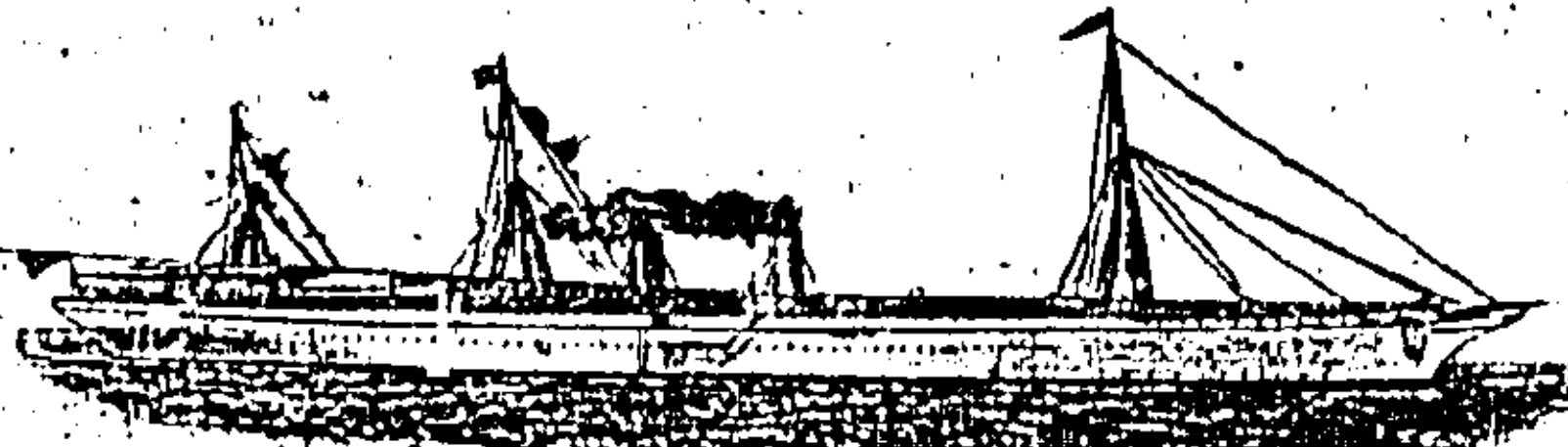
S.S. "LUNGSHAN," ..... 2,191 tons ..... Captain T. Hamlin.  
This steamer leaves Canton for Macao every Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday at about 8 A.M.; and leaves Macao for Canton every Monday, Wednesday and Friday at about 7.30 A.M.

JOINT SERVICE OF THE H.K., C. AND MACAO STEAMBOAT CO., LTD. THE CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LTD., AND THE INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LTD.

CANTON-WUCHOW LINE.

S.S. "SAINAM," ..... 588 tons ..... Captain J. Willox.  
"NANNING," ..... 569 " ..... " C. Bulchart.  
One of the above steamers leaves Canton for Wuchow every Monday, Wednesday and Friday at about 8 A.M. calling at Yunking, Mahning, Kuanchuk, Kau-Kong, Samshui, Howli, Shiu-Hing, Luk-Po, Luk-To, Lo-Ting-Hau, Tak-Hing, Doshing and Fong-Chuen. Departures from Wuchow for Canton calling at the above ports every Monday, Wednesday and Friday at about 8.30 A.M.  
FARES:—Canton to Wuchow ..... Single \$15.00. Return \$25.00.  
Canton to Tak Hing ..... Single \$12.50. Return \$21.00.  
Canton to Samshui ..... Single \$7.50.  
The above vessels have superior Saloon and Cabin accommodation and are lighted throughout by electricity. Meals charged extra.  
Further particulars may be obtained at the Office of the—  
HONGKONG, CANTON & MACAO STEAMBOAT CO., LTD.,  
(Hotel Managers, First Floor) opposite the Hongkong Hotel,  
Or of BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,  
Agents, CHINA NAVIGATION CO., LTD.  
Hongkong, 13th February, 1906.

CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY COY.'S ROYAL MAIL STEAMSHIP LINE.



Luxury—Speed—Punctuality.

The only Line that maintains a Regular Schedule Service of 12 Days across the Pacific in the "Empress Line." Saving 3 to 7 Days Ocean Trial.  
18 Days YOKOHAMA to VANCOUVER. 21 Days HONGKONG to VANCOUVER.

PROPOSED SAILINGS. (Subject to Alteration).

R.M.S. Tons LEAVE HONGKONG ARRIVE VANCOUVER  
"TARTAR" ..... 4,425 ..... WEDNESDAY, Feb. 21 ..... Mar. 17  
"EMPRESS OF JAPAN" ..... 6,000 ..... WEDNESDAY, Mar. 7 ..... Mar. 28  
"EMPRESS OF CHINA" ..... 6,000 ..... WEDNESDAY, Mar. 28 ..... April 18  
"ATHENIAN" ..... 3,440 ..... WEDNESDAY, April 11 ..... May 5  
"EMPRESS OF INDIA" ..... 6,000 ..... WEDNESDAY, April 18 ..... May 9

THE Quickest route to CANADA, UNITED STATES AND EUROPE, calling at SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, (through the INLAND SEA OF JAPAN), KOBE, YOKOHAMA, VICTORIA, connecting at VANCOUVER with the COMPANY'S PALATIAL OVERLAND TRAINS FROM THE PACIFIC TO THE ATLANTIC WITHOUT CHANGE.  
Hongkong to London, 1st Class ..... via St. Lawrence £60. via New York £62.  
Hongkong to London, Intermediate on Steamers, and 1st Class Rail ..... £40. £42.

R.M.S. "TARTAR" and "ATHENIAN" carry "Intermediate" Passengers only at Intermediate rates, affording superior accommodation for that class.  
Passengers Booked through to all principal points and AROUND THE WORLD.  
SPECIAL RATES (First Class only) granted to Missionaries, Members of the Naval, Military, Diplomatic and Civil Services, and to European Officials in the Service of China and Japan Governments.  
For further information, Maps, Routes, Hand Books, Rates of Freight and Passage, apply to  
D. E. BROWN, General Agent,  
Hongkong, 7th February, 1906. Corner Pedder Street and Praya, opposite Blake Pier. [13]

HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE.

OSTASIATISCHER DIENST.

[Taking Cargo at through Rates to ANTWERP, AMSTERDAM, ROTTERDAM, COPENHAGEN, LISBON, OPORTO, LONDON, LIVERPOOL, GLASGOW, TRIESTE, GENOA, PORTS IN THE LEVANT; BLACK SEA and BALTIC PORTS; NORTH and SOUTH AMERICAN PORTS.]

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG. SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

STEAMERS. DESTINATIONS. SAILING DATES.  
SPEZIA ..... HAVRE and HAMBURG. 21st Feb. } Freight.  
Müller ..... (Calling at S'PORE, PENANG & COLOMBO).  
LIBERIA ..... HAMBURG. 27th Feb. } Freight.  
Kier ..... (Calling at S'PORE).  
SAMBIA ..... HAVRE, BREMEN and HAMBURG. 7th March } Freight.  
Ehlers ..... (Calling at S'PORE, PENANG & COLOMBO).  
SAXONIA ..... HAVRE and HAMBURG. 21st March } Freight.  
Sachs ..... (Calling at S'PORE, PENANG & COLOMBO).  
SILESIA ..... HAVRE and HAMBURG. 4th April } Freight and  
Bahl ..... (Calling at S'PORE, PENANG & COLOMBO).  
SENEGAMBIA ..... HAVRE and HAMBURG. 18th April } Freight.  
Poter ..... (Calling at S'PORE, PENANG & COLOMBO).  
SEGOVIA ..... HAVRE and HAMBURG. 3rd May } Freight.  
Schönfeldt ..... (Calling at S'PORE, PENANG & COLOMBO).

Special attention of intending Passengers is drawn to the splendid accommodation of this steamer. Saloon and cabins amply lighted. Lighted throughout by Electricity. Duly qualified Doctors are carried.

For further Particulars, apply to

HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE.  
HONGKONG OFFICE,  
King's Buildings,  
Hongkong, 9th February, 1906.

Mails.

IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL LINES.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD, BREMEN.

EUROPEAN LINE.

STEAM FOR

SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID, NAPLES, GENOA, ANTWERP, BREMEN/HAMBURG.  
Steamers will also call at GIBRALTAR and SOUTHAMPTON to land Passengers and Luggage.

Taking Cargo on Through Bills of Lading for all European, North and South American Ports.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

(SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.)

STEAMERS. SAILING DATES.  
ZIETEN ..... WEDNESDAY, 28th February.  
PRINZESS ALICE ..... WEDNESDAY, 14th March.  
BAYERN ..... WEDNESDAY, 28th March.  
PRINZ REGENT LUITPOLD ..... WEDNESDAY, 11th April.  
PRINZ EITEL FRIEDRICH ..... WEDNESDAY, 25th April.  
SACHSEN ..... WEDNESDAY, 9th May.  
PRINZ HEINRICH ..... WEDNESDAY, 23rd May.  
RUON ..... WEDNESDAY, 6th June.  
PREUSSEN ..... WEDNESDAY, 20th June.  
ZIETEN ..... WEDNESDAY, 4th July.  
OLDENBURG ..... WEDNESDAY, 18th July.  
BAYERN ..... WEDNESDAY, 1st August.  
PRINZ REGENT LUITPOLD ..... WEDNESDAY, 15th August.  
PRINZ EITEL FRIEDRICH ..... WEDNESDAY, 29th August.

ON WEDNESDAY, the 28th day of February, 1906, at Noon, the Steamship ZIETEN, Capt. F. von Binzet, with MALES, PASSENGERS, SPECIE and CARGO, will leave this Port as above, Calling at NAPLES and GENOA.

Shipping Orders will be granted till NOON, on MONDAY, the 26th February, Cargo and Specie will be received on Board until 5 P.M., on TUESDAY, the 27th February, and 1 Parcel will be received at the Agency's Office until NOON, on TUESDAY, the 27th February.

Contents of Packages are required. No Parcel Receipts will be signed for less than 2 c. and Parcels should not exceed Two Cubic Feet in Measurement.

The Steamer has splendid Accommodation and carries a Doctor and Stewardesses.

Linen can be washed on board.

RATES OF PASSAGE MONEY FROM HONGKONG:

TO NAPLES, GENOA & GIBRALTAR ..... 1st Class £61. 0. 0. 2nd Class £42. 0. 0. 3rd Class £22. 0. 0.  
Return ..... 91. 0. 0. 61. 0. 0. 33. 0. 0.  
TO SOUTHAMPTON, LONDON, BREMEN and HAMBURG ..... 65. 0. 0. 44. 0. 0. 24. 0. 0.  
Return ..... 97. 0. 0. 66. 0. 0. 36. 0. 0.  
TO NEW YORK VIA SUEZ ..... 64. 0. 0. 44. 0. 0. 26. 0. 0.  
Return ..... 115. 0. 0. 79. 0. 0. 47. 0. 0.  
Via BREMEN or SOUTHAMPTON ..... 68. 0. 0. 46. 0. 0. 27. 0. 0.  
Return ..... 123. 0. 0. 83. 0. 0. 49. 0. 0.

In the event of the passenger leaving the Mail Steamer at Naples, Genoa or Gibraltar and travelling to Bremen or Southampton (overland) the same rates to be applied as via NAPLES, GENOA or GIBRALTAR, but in this case the cost of the railway trip, etc., to be at passenger's expense.

TOUR VIA INDIA:

Passengers have the option of using a Steamer of the British India S. N. Co. from SINGAPORE to CALCUTTA instead of an Imperial Mail steamer from Singapore to Colombo. The cost of the journey from Calcutta to Colombo by rail or steamer is however not included.

Interruption of the Voyage in Egypt:

Passengers to Europe and New York are entitled to travel by the N. D. L. Mediterranean Steamers from Alexandria to Naples or Marseilles instead of using an Imperial Mail Steamer from Port Said.

JAPAN-CHINA-AUSTRALIA LINE, VIA NEW GUINEA.

STEAM FOR MANILA, FRIEDRICH-WILHELMSHAFEN, SIMPSONSHAFEN, BRISBANE, SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

(Subject to alteration.)

STEAMERS. TONS. SAILING DATES.  
WILLEHAD ..... 4,765 ..... TUESDAY, 6th March.  
PRINZ WALDEMAR ..... 3,327 ..... TUESDAY, 3rd April.  
PRINZ SIGISMUND ..... 3,302 ..... TUESDAY, 1st May.

ON TUESDAY, the 6th March, 1906, at Noon, the Steamship WILLEHAD, Capt. Obenauer, with Mails, Passengers and Cargo, will leave this port as above. The steamer has splendid accommodation and carries a Doctor and a Stewardess. Linen can be washed on board.

RATES OF PASSAGE MONEY FROM HONGKONG:

TO MANILA ..... 1st Class \$50.00 2nd Class \$30.00 Return \$80.00  
TO NEW GUINEA ..... £28. 0. 0. £18. 0. 0. £14.00. Return £42.00 £27.15  
TO BRISBANE ..... £30. 0. 0. £20. 0. 0. £14.00. Return £54.00 £36. 0. 0.  
TO SYDNEY ..... £31. 0. 0. £23. 0. 0. £15.00. Return £59.10 £41.10  
TO MELBOURNE ..... £34.10 £24. 0. 0. £16.00. Return £62.50 £44.50  
TO YOKOHAMA ..... \$80.00 \$50.00 \$40.00. Return \$170.00 \$120.  
TO KOBE ..... \$95.00 \$70.00 \$50.00. Return \$170.00 \$120.  
TO YOKOHAMA & back from KOBE to HONGKONG ..... \$140.00 \$100.00

THROUGH RATES OF PASSAGE MONEY FROM HONGKONG:

TO EUROPE VIA AUSTRALIA AND COLOMBO by Imperial Mail 1st Class £97. 0. 0.  
Steamer ..... 96. 0. 0.  
TO EUROPE VIA AUSTRALIA AND AMERICA ..... 96. 0. 0.  
From Australia to New York via Vancouver by the C. P. R. Co.'s steamers, or via San Francisco by the O. S. S. Co.'s Steamers, and from New York to Europe by the magnificent express steamers of N. D. L.

SAILINGS OUTWARDS.

FOR SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA ..... WEDNESDAY, 28th Feb.  
SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA ..... PRINZ REGENT LUITPOLD, WEDNESDAY, 14th March.  
YOKOHAMA & KOBE ..... PRINZ WALDEMAR ..... WEDNESDAY, 14th March.  
\* Reaching Yokohama in less than 6 days.

TRANS-PACIFIC THROUGH TICKETS FROM HONGKONG.

Via VANCOUVER or SAN FRANCISCO to NEW YORK by the C. P. R. Co.'s steamers, P. M. S. Co., O. & O. S. B. Co., T. W. K. and from NEW YORK to EUROPE by the magnificent Express steamers of the Norddeutscher Lloyd are issued at the following rates:

TO LONDON VIA PLYMOUTH OR SOUTHAMPTON ..... 1st Class £62. 0. 0.  
TO BREMEN ..... 63. 10. 0.  
TO PARIS VIA GENOEBURG ..... 65. 0. 0.  
TO NAPLES, GENOA VIA GIBRALTAR ..... 65. 0. 0.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

For further Particulars, apply to

Hongkong, 16th February, 1906.

MELCHERS & CO.,  
AGENTS.

Intimations.

THE YOKOHAMA DOCK CO., LTD.

No. 1 DOCK.

Length inside, 514 ft. Width of entrance, top 95 ft.; bottom 75 ft. Water on blocks, 27.5 ft. Time to pump out, 4 hours.

No. 2 DOCK.

Length inside, 375 ft. Width of entrance, top 60.5 ft.; bottom 45.8 ft. Water on blocks, 26.5 ft. Time to pump out, 2 hours.

THESE DOCKS are conveniently situated in Yokohama harbour and the attention of Captains and Engineers is respectfully called to the advantages offered for Docking and repairing Vessels and Machinery of every description.

The plant and tools are of recent patterns for dealing quickly and cheaply with work, and a large stock of material is always at hand, (plates and angles all being tested by Lloyd's surveyors).

Two powerful Twin Screw Towboats are available for taking Vessels in or out of Dock, and for taking Sailing Vessels in or out of the bay. The floating derrick is capable of lifting 35 tons.

Steam Launches of Steel or Wood, Lighters, Steel Buildings and Roofs, Bridge Work, and all kinds of Machinery are made on the premises.

Tenders will be made up when required and the workmanship and material will be guaranteed.

The cost of Docking, and repair work, will be found to compare favourably with that of any port in the world.

Telephone: Nos. 376, 506, or 681  
Telegrams, "Dock, Yokohama," Codes A. B. C. 4th and 5th Edt.  
Liebers, Scotts, A. 1, and Watkins.  
Yokohama, May 23rd, 1905.

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PENINSULAR & ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION CO.

Homeward Passenger Season, 1906.

PROPOSED SAILINGS OF MAIL STEAMERS

MARSEILLES & LONDON.

TAKING PASSENGERS ALSO FOR COLOMBO, INDIA, AUSTRALASIA, EGYPT, BRINDISI, &c. THROUGH TICKETS ISSUED TO NEW YORK.

Steamers Leave Connecting Steamers from Due at  
to HONGKONG. MARSEILLES & LONDON. 3 days earlier. (London 1 day later).

Tons. Noon, Saturday. Tons. Saturday. Friday.  
ARCADIA ..... 7,000 ..... Feb. 10 ..... 7,000 ..... Mar. 16  
DELHI ..... 8,000 ..... Feb. 24 ..... 10,000 ..... Mar. 30  
DONGOLA ..... 8,000 ..... Mar. 10 ..... 10,000 ..... April 7  
DELTA ..... 8,000 ..... Mar. 24 ..... 10,000 ..... April 27  
OCEANIA ..... 7,000 ..... April 7 ..... 10,000 ..... May 5  
Sunday. Saturday.

ARCADIA ..... 7,000 ..... April 21 ..... VICTORIA ..... 7,000 ..... May 20 ..... May 26  
DEVANHA ..... 8,000 ..... May 5 ..... HIMALAYA ..... 7,000 ..... June 3 ..... June 9  
DELHI ..... 8,000 ..... May 19 ..... INDIA ..... 8,000 ..... June 17 ..... June 23

Passengers change steamers at Colombo, and those for Brindisi transfer also to the Express Mail Steamer at Port Said.

Accommodation in the connecting steamer from Colombo is arranged in Hongkong at time of booking. In addition to the above Mail steamers the following

INTERMEDIATE (NON-TRANSHIPMENT) STEAMERS

WILL LEAVE FOR

LONDON.

CARRYING SALOON PASSENGERS AT REDUCED RATES.

STEAMERS. Tonnage. LEAVE HONGKONG. DUE AT LONDON.  
JAPAN ..... 4,500 ..... Feb. 14 ..... Mar. 31  
SUMATRA ..... 5,000 ..... Feb. 28 ..... April 14  
NUBIA ..... 6,000 ..... Mar. 14 ..... April 28  
JAVA ..... 4,500 ..... Mar. 28 ..... May 12  
FORMOSA ..... 4,500 ..... April 11 ..... May 26

These Steamers call also at Singapore, Penang, Colombo, and at Malta or Marseilles. "SUMATRA" and "NUBIA" call at MARSEILLES.  
"JAPAN," "JAVA" and "FORMOSA" carry only First Saloon Passengers.  
For Passage, apply to— E. A. HEWETT, Superintendent.

Hongkong, 5th January, 1906.

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WEST RIVER BRITISH STEAMSHIP CO.

HONGKONG-KONGMOON AND KAUKONG LINES.

S.S. "TAK HING,"  
SAILS every SUNDAY, TUESDAY, and THURSDAY, at 7 P.M., for the above Ports.  
THE ROUND TRIP OCCUPIES ONLY 36 HOURS.

HONGKONG-WUCHOW LINE.

S.S. "LINTAN" and S.S. "SAN-UI."  
SAILING TWICE A WEEK. THE ROUND TRIP OCCUPIES 54 DAYS.  
THE steamers sail from HONGKONG to SHAMSHUI, SHUHSUI, FAKINGO and WUCHOW. They pass through the Canton delta, and steam up about 150 miles through the gorges, and beautiful scenery of the West River.

Fare for the Round Trip ..... \$30  
These steamers have Excellent Saloon Accommodation, and are Lighted by Electricity.  
For further information, apply to— BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,  
AGENTS,  
WEST RIVER BRITISH S.S. CO.,  
HONGKONG.

Hongkong, 23rd December, 1905

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JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN LINE.  
REGULAR FOUR-WEEKLY SERVICE  
BETWEEN  
JAVA, CHINA, AND JAPAN.

Steamer. From. Expected on or about. Will leave for. On or about.  
TJIMAH ..... JAVA ..... Second half February ..... JAPAN VIA SHANGHAI ..... Second half February  
TJILIWONG ..... JAPAN ..... Second half February ..... JAVA PORTS ..... Second half February  
TJIPANAS ..... JAVA ..... First half March ..... JAPAN VIA SHANGHAI ..... Second half March  
TJILATJAP ..... JAPAN ..... Second half March ..... JAVA PORTS ..... Second half March

The Steamers are all fitted throughout with Electric Light and have Accommodation for a limited number of Saloon Passengers, and will take Cargo to all Netherlands India Ports on through Bills of Lading.

For Particulars of Freight and Passage, apply to THE HEAD AGENCY OF THE JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN LINE.

Telephone No. 375,  
YORK BUILDINGS, 1st Floor.  
Hongkong, 6th February, 1906.

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## Intimation.

Powell's

ALEXANDRA BUILDINGS.

UPHOLSTERY  
DEPARTMENTIS UNDER THE  
PERSONAL  
SUPERVISIONOF  
COMPETENT  
AND  
PRACTICAL  
MENFROM THE  
LEADING  
LONDON  
AND  
PROVINCIAL  
FURNISHING  
HOUSES.THE  
WORK  
IS  
GUARANTEED  
TO BE OF THE  
HIGHEST  
CLASS ONLY.

POWELL'S

HONGKONG.

Hongkong, 15th February, 1906.

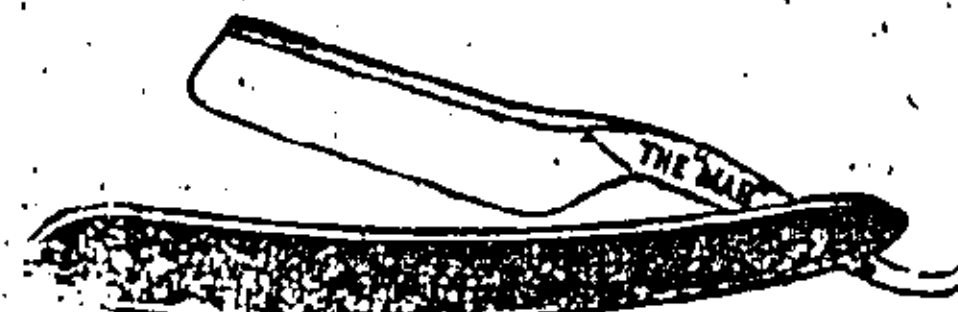
## Intimations.

GREEN ISLAND CEMENT COMPANY,  
LIMITED.THE SEVENTEENTH ORDINARY  
ANNUAL MEETING OF SHARE-  
HOLDERS in the Company will be held in  
the Office of the General Managers, St. George's  
Building, Victoria, on SATURDAY, 24th  
February, 1906, at 11.30 A.M., for the purpose  
of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the  
Report of the General Managers for the year  
ending 31st December, 1905, declaring a Divi-  
dend and electing Consulting Committee and  
Auditors.The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company  
will be CLOSED on TUESDAY, 20th  
February, until SATURDAY, 24th February  
(both days inclusive).SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.,  
General Managers.  
Hongkong, 6th February, 1906. [203]HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANK-  
ING CORPORATION.NOTICE is hereby given that the OR-  
DINARY HALF-YEARLY MEET-  
ING OF THE SHAREHOLDERS in this  
Corporation will be held at the City Hall,  
Hongkong, on SATURDAY, the 24th day of  
February, 1906, at Noon, for the purpose of  
receiving the Report of the Court of Directors  
together with a Statement of Accounts to 31st  
December, 1905.By Order of the Court of Directors,  
J. R. M. SMITH,  
Chief Manager.  
Hongkong, 1st February, 1906. [181]HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANK-  
ING CORPORATION.NOTICE is hereby given that the RE-  
GISTER OF SHARES of the Corporation  
will be CLOSED from SATURDAY the  
10th, to the 24th day of February (both days  
inclusive), during which period no Transfer of  
Shares can be registered.By Order of the Court of Directors,  
J. R. M. SMITH,  
Chief Manager.  
Hongkong, 1st February, 1906. [182]HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK  
COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING  
OF SHAREHOLDERS of the Company, Queen's  
Building, New Prince, on MONDAY, the 26th February,  
1906, at 12 o'clock Noon, for the purpose of  
receiving the Report of the Directors and the  
Statement of Accounts to the 31st December,  
1905.The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company  
will be CLOSED from the 12th to the 26th  
February, both days inclusive.By Order of the Board of Directors,  
THOS. I. ROSE,  
Secretary.  
Hongkong, 31st January, 1906. [174]HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE  
COMPANY, LIMITED.

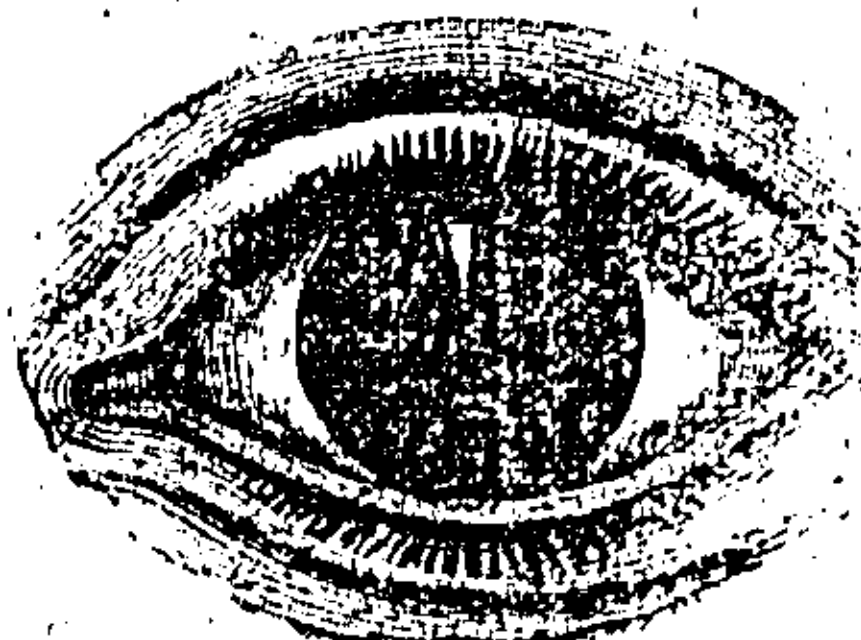
NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE THIRTY-SEVENTH ORDINARY  
ANNUAL MEETING OF SHARE-  
HOLDERS in the above Company will be  
held at the Offices of the Company, King's  
Building, Connaught Road, on WEDNES-  
DAY, the 7th day of March, 1906, at 12 o'clock  
(Noon), to receive a Statement of Accounts to  
31st December, 1905, and the Report of the  
General Managers, and to elect a Consulting  
Committee and Auditors.The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company  
will be CLOSED from the 21st February to the  
7th March, both days inclusive.JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,  
General Managers.  
Hongkong, 12th February, 1906. [228]THE FAMOUS  
MAB DWARF RAZOR,  
A SHARP LITTLE SHAVER

WEIGHT LESS THAN 4 OUNCES.

THIS DWARF RAZOR has superseded  
the old fashioned clumsy Razor and by  
its use Shaving becomes a pleasure. It is  
manufactured in Sheffield, England, from a  
special amalgam of steel which makes imita-  
tion impossible, and in consequence it enjoys  
the largest sale of any Razor in the World.  
Thousands of Testimonials testify that the  
little "MAB" is the finest shaving implement  
ever produced.Will be mailed to any address on receipt of  
the price (\$2), post free.To be obtained from THE MUTUAL STORES,  
WATKINS, LIMITED, and all first-class stores  
in the Colony.Sole Agents for Far East, HOWARD & Co.,  
29, Des Voeux Road, Central, Hongkong.  
Agents wanted in every port.For particulars and terms, apply to—  
HOWARD & Co.  
Hongkong, 24th November, 1904. [66]

EYES



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WILL test your eyes free of charge, and if they are wrong will put them right.

Lenses Ground. All kinds of Repairs. Spectacles for all requirements.

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LONDON, CALCUTTA, SHANGHAI,  
21, John Street, Bedford Row, W.C. 59, Bentinck Street. 566, Nanking Road.

Hongkong, 17th November, 1905. [42]

THE HONGKONG, CANTON AND  
MACAO STEAMBOAT COMPANY,  
LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE DIVIDEND at the rate of \$1.00 per  
Share, declared at the Ordinary Half-  
Yearly Meeting of Shareholders, held this day,  
will be PAYABLE at the Hongkong and Shanghai  
Banking Corporation, on and after FRIDAY,  
the 16th February, 1906.Shareholders are requested to apply to the  
Office of the Company for Warrants.By Order of the Board of Directors,  
T. ARNOLD,  
Secretary.  
Hongkong, 15th February, 1906. [233]

CIGARS.

DUTCH CIGARS,  
MIXTURE OF JAVA AND BRAZIL TOBACCO WITH  
SUMATRA COVER.Well-known brands are:—  
Mercurio (Cigarettes) Orlanda. Carlo Basso.  
Flor de Flores. Timosa. Don Alonso.  
La Bella Rita. Club. Excelente.

HAMBURG CIGARS

OF BEST BRAZIL TOBACCO.  
Roland von Hamburg. Recordshlager.  
vintencia. Hammonia Docks. Flor de Mondego.

Best everything of same origin.

VIRGINIA CIGARS

OF BEST VIRGINIA TOBACCO.

King Edward. Kaiser Wilhelm.

As smoked by  
H.M. King Edward and  
H.M. Emperor William.SOLE IMPORTERS—  
LUTGENS, EINSTAMANN & CO.,  
2, Pedder Street, 2.

1st Floor. Please take the Lift.

Hongkong, 27th October, 1905. [60]

F. BLACKHEAD &amp; CO.,

SHIP-CHANDLERS, SAILMAKERS,  
COAL AND PROVISION MER-  
CHANTS, NAVAL CONTRACTORS  
AND GENERAL COMMISSION  
AGENTS.GROUND FLOOR,  
ST. GEORGE'S BUILDING,  
HONGKONG.

SOAP AND SODA MANUFACTURERS.

SOLE AGENTS FOR

HARTMANN'S RAHTJEN'S GENUINE

COMPOSITION RED HAND

BRAND, HARTMANN'S GREY PAINT,  
DAIMLER'S PATENT MOTOR  
LAUNCHES,  
&c., &c., &c.

Sole Agents for

FERGUSON'S SPECIAL CREAM

and  
P. & O. SPECIAL LIQUOR SCOTCH  
WHISKY, &c.EVERY KIND OF  
SHIPS STORES AND REQUISITES  
ALWAYS IN STOCKAT  
REASONABLE PRICES.

Hongkong, 7th March, 1905. [51]



Gold Medals PARIS 1889 &amp; 1900

Regd Brand

HARRIS, CALNEWILTS & Co.,  
REPRESENTATIVES FOR HONGKONG & CHINA,  
HOWARD & Co.,  
50, Queen's Road Central,  
Hongkong.

Hongkong, 19th May, 1905. [63]

TASTE

FUSSELL'S UNSWEETENED PURE

EVAPORATED CREAM

"ONCE"

and you will have no other.

CO-OPERS, Miners, Sailors, Yachtsmen,  
Hotel Proprietors, in fact "Everybody"  
in all parts of the globe have pronounced it as  
"SIMPLY DELICIOUS."Sole Agent—  
H. RUTTONJEE,  
Hongkong and Kowloon.

Hongkong, 29th January, 1906. [64]

## TAKING CARE OF THE PIANO.

In placing the piano do not put it over or  
near a heater, as hot air is very injurious to  
any cabinet work. Avoid placing a piano near  
a window, where one end of the instrument  
will be cold and the other warm. A sudden  
change of temperature, as from extreme heat  
in extreme cold, and vice versa, is injurious.  
If a room is allowed to become very cold, do  
not at once build a hot fire near the piano, but  
heat the room gradually.Keep the piano closed and cover it with a  
sheet or blanket when sweeping, cleaning or  
dusting the room. A piano should be opened  
for a short time at least every day to prevent  
discoloration of the ivory keys.Cleaning the case may be accomplished by  
wetting a piece of cotton flannel and dropping  
upon it a few drops of ordinary olive oil. Rub a  
small portion of the piano at a time, wiping it  
off thoroughly with a dry piece of cotton flannel.  
Afterward rub with a soft, clean charcol skin  
or another piece of clean cotton flannel, always  
taking care to rub with the grain of the wood  
and occasionally to breathe on it in order to  
remove every particle of oily substance. A  
little flour rubbed with the grain of the wood  
will effectually remove all greasy matter re-  
maining from the oil. Use no furniture polish  
or so-called piano polishes. The National  
Piano Manufacturers' Association has issued a  
circular on the subject of varnish, which can  
be obtained from any manufacturer or dealer.  
In dusting a piano it is preferable to use a soft  
brush of uncut feathers such as is ordinarily  
called a coach brush, instead of a cloth, thus  
preventing scratches.To clean the ivory keys, which should be  
done at least once a week when a piano is very  
much used, employ a soft linen cloth, damp-  
ened with alcohol, being careful, however, that  
the alcohol does not touch the polished surface  
of the instrument, which would be fatal.—  
Good Housekeeping.

## COMMERCIAL.

## TO-DAY'S EXCHANGE.

| Selling.            |           |
|---------------------|-----------|
| London—Bank T.T.    | 2.0 11/16 |
| Do. demand          | 2.0 11/16 |
| Do. 4 months' sight | 2.0 11/16 |
| France—Bank T.T.    | 2.58 1/2  |
| America—Bank T.T.   | 50 1/2    |
| Germany—Bank T.T.   | 15 1/2    |
| India T.T.          | 15 1/2    |
| Do. demand          | 15 1/2    |
| Singapore T.T.      | 14 1/2    |
| Japan—Bank T.T.     | 100 1/2   |
| Java—Bank T.T.      | 13 1/2    |

| Buying.                                 |          |
|-----------------------------------------|----------|
| 4 months' sight L/C.                    | 2.1 3/16 |
| 6 months' sight L/C.                    | 2.1 5/16 |
| 30 days' sight San Francisco & New York | 50 1/2   |
| 4 months' sight do.                     | 51 1/2   |
| 30 days' sight Sydney and Melbourne     | 2.1 7/16 |
| 4 months' sight France                  | 2.58 1/2 |
| 6 months' sight do.                     | 2.64 1/2 |
| 4 months' sight Germany                 | 15 1/2   |
| Bar Silver                              | 30 1/2   |
| Bank of England rate                    | 85 1/2   |
| Swedish                                 | 95 1/2   |

| TO-DAY'S QUOTATIONS are as follow: |                         |
|------------------------------------|-------------------------|
| Malwa New                          | Per picul @ 1,010/1,030 |
| Old                                | @ 1,050/1,080           |
| Older                              | @ 1,100/1,120           |
| Oldest                             | @ 1,200/1,240           |
| Patna New                          | @ 895                   |
| Old                                | @ 890                   |
| Benares New                        | @ 880                   |
| Old                                | @ 875                   |
| Benian (Paper)                     | @ —                     |

## Auction.

## PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions  
from the Hon. the Harbour Master,  
to sell by  
PUBLIC AUCTION,  
ON  
THURSDAY,  
the 22nd February, 1906, at 11 A.M., at  
their Sales Rooms, No. 8, Des Voeux Road,  
corner Lee House Street,  
FIVE CASES RIFLES AND EXPLOSIVES.  
N.B.—Inspecting Orders can be had on  
application at the Government Gunpowder  
Depot, Green Island.  
TERMS—As usual.HUGHES & HOUGH,  
Government Auctioneers.  
Hongkong, 15th February, 1906. [232]

## Consignees.

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION  
COMPANY, LIMITED.FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND  
SINGAPORE.

THE Company's Steamship

"NAMBANG,"

having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees  
of Cargo by her are hereby informed that their  
Goods will be delivered from alongside.Cargo impeding the discharge or remaining  
on board after 4 P.M., the 17th instant, will be  
landed at Consignees' risk and expense.No Fire Insurance will be effected.  
Bills of Lading will be countersigned by  
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,  
General Managers.

Hongkong, 15th February, 1906. [6]

PORTLAND AND ASIATIC STEAMSHIP  
COMPANY.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

STEAMSHIP "ARABIA,"

FROM PORTLAND (OR), YOKOHAMA,  
KOBE AND MOJI.The above Steamer having arrived, Con-  
signees of Cargo are hereby requested  
to send in their Bills of Lading for counter-  
signature, and to take immediate delivery of  
their Goods from alongside.Cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel  
will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk  
and expense.No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in  
any case whatever.S. SILVERSTONE,  
Acting General Agent.

Hongkong, 15th February, 1906. [16]

## Consignees.

## NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE P. &amp; O. S. N. Co.'s Steamer

"BANCA"

FROM ANTWERP, LONDON, MALTA,  
PORT SAID, SUEZ AND STRAITS.Consignees of Cargo by the above-named  
vessel are hereby informed that their Goods are  
being landed and placed at their risk in the  
Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown  
Company's Godowns at Kowloon, where each  
consignment will be sorted out mark by mark,  
and delivery can be obtained as soon as the  
Goods are landed.Optional Goods will be landed here unless  
instructions are given to the contrary before  
6 hours.Goods not cleared by the 20th instant, at  
P.M., will be subject to rent.  
No Fire Insurance will be effected by me in  
any case whatever.Damaged Packages must be left in the  
Godowns for examination by the Consignees'  
and the Company's representative at an  
appointed hour.All claims must be presented within ten  
days of the steamer's arrival here after which  
date they cannot be recognised.No claims will be admitted after the goods  
have left the Godowns.E. A. HEWETT,  
Superintendent.

Hongkong, 14th February, 1906. [4]

## NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE P. &amp; O. S. N. Co.'s Steamer

"PERA"

FROM ANTWERP, LONDON, MALTA,  
PORT SAID, SUEZ AND STRAITS.Consignees of Cargo by the above-named  
vessel are hereby informed that their Goods are  
being landed and placed at their risk in the  
Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown  
Company's Godowns at Kowloon, where each  
consignment will be sorted out mark by mark,  
and delivery can be obtained as soon as the  
Goods are landed.Optional Goods will be landed here unless  
instructions are given to the contrary before  
6 hours.Goods not cleared by the 19th instant, at  
P.M., will be subject to rent.  
No Fire Insurance will be effected by me in  
any case whatever.Damaged Packages must be left in the  
Godowns for examination by the Consignees'  
and the Company's representative at an ap-  
pointed hour.All claims must be presented within ten days  
of the steamer's arrival here after which date  
they cannot be recognised.No claims will be admitted after the Goods  
have left the Godowns.E. A. HEWETT,  
Superintendent.

Hongkong, 13th February, 1906. [4]

## BOSTON TOWBOAT COMPANY.

## NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

STEAMSHIP "HYADES,"

FROM TACOMA, VICTORIA, YOKO-  
HAMA, KOBE, MOJI AND  
SHANGHAI.The above Steamer having arrived, Con-  
signees of Cargo are hereby requested to  
send in their Bills of Lading for Counter-signa-  
ture, and to take immediate delivery of their  
Goods from alongside.Cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel  
will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk  
and expense.No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in  
any case whatever.DODWELL & CO., LIMITED,  
Agents.

Hongkong, 14th February, 1906. [12]

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD, BREMEN.

IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL LINE.

## NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE Steamship

"PRINCESS ALICE,"

having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby  
informed that their Goods, with the exception  
of Opium, Treasure and Valuables, are being  
landed and stored at their risk into the hazardous  
and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hong-  
kong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Com-  
pany, Limited, Kowloon, whence delivery may  
be obtained.Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless  
notice to the contrary be given before 5 P.M.,  
TO-DAY.No Claims will be admitted after the Goods  
have left the Godowns, and all Goods remain-  
ing undelivered after the 19th instant, will be  
subject to rent.All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to  
be left in the Godowns, where they will be  
examined on MONDAY, 19th instant, at  
9.30 A.M.All Claims must reach us before the 24th  
instant, or they will not be recognised.  
No Fire Insurance will be effected.Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the  
Undersigned.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

MELCHERS & Co.,  
Agents.

Hongkong, 13th February, 1906. [2]

## "BEN" LINE OF STEAMERS.

## NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

S.S. "BENLEI,"

FROM ANTWERP, LONDON AND  
STRAITS.Consignees of Cargo are hereby  
informed that all Goods are being landed  
at their risk into the hazardous and/or extra  
hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kow-  
loon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., whence  
and/or from the wharves delivery may be  
obtained.No Claims will be admitted after the Goods  
have left the Godowns, and all Goods unde-  
livered after the 16th instant will be subject  
to rent.All Claims against the Steamer must be pre-  
sented to the Undersigned on or before the 24th  
instant, or they will not be recognised.All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to  
be left in the Godowns, where they will be  
examined on the 16th instant, at 11 A.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by  
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.,  
Agents.

Hongkong, 10th February, 1906. [227]

## Intimations.

THE POPULAR  
SCOTCH  
IS  
"BLACK & WHITE"

JAMES BUCHANAN &amp; CO.

SCOTCH WHISKY DISTILLERS,  
By Appointment to

H. M. THE KING

and

HRH. the PRINCE OF WALES

Supplied at all the LEADING CLUBS  
and HOTELS, and to be obtained from  
the principal Stores. [53]

## TUBORG BEER.

A FIRST CLASS PILSENER BEER  
guaranteed free from Salicylic Acid,  
and any other Chemicals.PRICE \$10.50 per case of 48 bottles (quarts)  
or 6 doz. pints.

Special Prices for Quantities.

Sole Agents—

SIEMSEN &amp; CO.

Hongkong, 1st January, 1905. [62]

## THE WINE GROWERS

## SUPPLY CO.



BARRETTO &amp; Co.,

General Agents, Hongkong.

## SHERRIES.

## DIRECT SHIPMENTS FROM SPAIN.

Sherry ..... \$8.00 per Dozen

Pale Sherry Dry (Gold

Capsules)..... 10



## Intimations.



**A. S. WATSON & CO., LIMITED.**

ESTABLISHED A.D. 1841.

CHEMISTS BY APPOINTMENT TO HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.

THE HONGKONG DISPENSARY

IMPORTANT NOTICE.

IN ADDITION TO THE

5 PER CENT. DISCOUNT

ALREADY ADVERTISED,

FURTHER

REDUCTIONS

Have been made from this date IN THE PRICES of many of the following:—

PATENT MEDICINES,  
INFANTS' FOODS,  
SOAPS,  
PERFUMES.

WE MAINTAIN THE LARGEST AND MOST COMPLETE STOCKS of these GOODS in the Colony, and our Stocks being frequently turned over, ensures all Goods being FRESH and in the BEST CONDITION.

**A. S. WATSON & CO., LIMITED.**

CHEMISTS, DRUGGISTS, PERFUMERS, ETC., ETC., ETC.  
ALEXANDRA BUILDINGS,  
Hongkong, 20th January, 1906.

**GREGOR & CO.,**

10, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL.

**CHIANTI WINE**

FROM U. FAZZINI, FLORENCE.

\$9.75 PER CASE.

Latest award:

GOLD MEDAL

ST. LOUIS EXHIBITION.

Hongkong, 20th June, 1903.

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**The Hongkong Telegraph**

HONGKONG, FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 16, 1906.

## THE NEW HONGKONG LOAN.

Reuter's announcement, printed in another column, that a Hongkong Loan of three-and-a-half per cent for £1,100,000 has been issued at 99, is a convincing proof that the compact entered into by the Hongkong Government and Viceroy Chang Chih-tung is an agreement of far greater import than its importance to this Colony at first implied. This money is required for the prosecution of the Canton-Hankow railway scheme; to enable the Chinese Government to resume operations on the line nearest Hongkong and once completed, if not actually before then, to turn its attention upon the connecting line that shall form the junction between the British line from Kowloon and the main trunk line at Canton. A week ago the information was placed before our readers that the Kowloon railway had advanced beyond the surveying stage. Constructional work had actually commenced at five different points simultaneously, and hundreds of coolies were being employed in making the embankments along the route the railway will traverse. Up to the present time beyond the two appropriations of \$25,000 and \$50,000 the Council has not been called upon to vote any further sums for the Colonial section of the Kowloon Canton Railway. Our impression is that until progress has been considerably developed no financial appropriation will be submitted for the approval of the Council. The Ordinance passed last year enables the Government to raise a sum of two millions sterling. The first loan being one of one million and one lac the balance of nine hundred thousand will be available to the Colony for its railway across the hinterland to the terminus at Sham-chun any time that may be required. The Colony is getting the money from English capitalists and investors at a pretty high rate of exchange and should unfortunately silver play false again and recede considerably from its present value history may repeat itself and the taxpayers be made to pay dearly for contracting monetary obligations in a metal alien to the standard currency of the Colony. However, it appears futile to raise any voice of protest against the autocrats of Downing Street even though as taxpayers the inhabitants of the Colony are made to pay the piper. There will be some consolation—if even it should be dearly purchased—for the present generation to see the Kowloon Canton railway an accomplished scheme, and from the energy with which Sir Matthew Nathan is personally directing the course of events in this special connection, there is no reason why the first locomotive should not be driven across our hinterland before the termination of His Excellency's administration in Hongkong.

## THE SHANGHAI INDEMNITY.

It was believed that the question of the payment of an indemnity by the Chinese Government in connection with the recent riots at Shanghai, the Waiwupu had been in conference with the Ministers of the different Powers at Peking regarding the payment of indemnity for the damages sustained. The British Minister at first demanded indemnity, but was informed by the Waiwupu that since Chinese soldiers were not allowed within the Settlement and could not therefore afford protection, China could not possibly be held responsible for damages sustained. If China is required to pay indemnity this time, hereafter Chinese must be allowed to be stationed within the Settlement. The different Ministers, seeing the difficulty of insisting on an indemnity, agreed, it was reported, to drop the demand. All other matters also were expected soon to be amicably settled. Commenting upon the reported decision to waive a claim for monetary compensation, the *China Gazette* expressed the opinion that Shanghai is rich enough to pay

out of the common exchequer any losses sustained in the riots, which, after all, were very trivial, and the precedent and principle established are worth ten times the money. Our Shanghai contemporary felt afraid the Chinese would pay up and claim the rights which payment would give them. The question of an indemnity appears, after all, not to have been shelved if only temporarily suspended. Our Shanghai correspondent cabled us yesterday the information received at that port from Peking that Sir Ernest Satow, the British Minister, had demanded an indemnity of eighty thousand taels from the Central Government for losses and damages sustained by British subjects in the recent riots at Shanghai. Such a claim necessarily implies responsibility on the part of the Shanghai Taotai and his subordinates to maintain order in the foreign settlement, whereas, as is pointed out in the *China Gazette*, "it was clearly the business of the Council to keep order inside their territory, under all circumstances—always, of course, with the support of the Consuls and foreign Powers." The demand for compensation would, of necessity, revive the question of the Chinese right to station forces within the Settlement to repress disorders; and as such a *modus vivendi* would not be sanctioned the developments arising out of the question should be invested with considerable interest.

## LOCAL AND GENERAL.

In the plague return for the twenty-four hours ended noon to-day, two cases are on record. Both were Chinese and terminated fatally.

Two officers, 5 sergeants and 105 rank and file, 2nd Royal West Kent Regiment, moved into Diamond Hill Camp to-day to undergo their annual musketry course.

A CHINESE woman was this morning fined \$10, by Mr. F. A. Hazeland at the Police Court, for committing a breach of the Vaccination Ordinance.

THE *Matin* announces that M. A. Marie has discovered a serum against hydrophobia which has the property of rendering dogs immune from the disease for a period of about twelve months from the time of inoculation.

WE understand that Mr. G. H. Potts's derby griffin, Gold King, who was not raced at the last meeting, will be sent to Shanghai as it is said the animal is capable of considerable improvement, and will be entered at the next meeting at Shanghai.

THE Dowager Empress of China is said to have informed Minister Rockhill that she desires to send a wedding gift to Miss Alice Roosevelt on her wedding, and has requested him to take charge of the present and of an autograph letter which she will have prepared.

A DWARF, 30in. high, was summoned to the Police Court this morning and was placed before Mr. F. A. Hazeland on a charge of larceny of a blanket and an umbrella. As defendant was born in the Colony and so could not be banished, his Worship sentenced him to six months' hard labour and to be exposed in the stocks for six hours.

AN old offender again visited the Police Court this morning and was placed before Mr. F. A. Hazeland on a charge of larceny of a blanket and an umbrella. As defendant was born in the Colony and so could not be banished, his Worship sentenced him to six months' hard labour and to be exposed in the stocks for six hours.

A TERRIBLE illustration of the dangers of inheriting insanity is reported from Iveru, in Piedmont, where three young boys named Vecchiolini, all brothers, have suddenly developed insanity. Their father died in a lunatic asylum about twelve months ago, and their mother has more recently exhibited symptoms of mental taint.

THE Roman Catholic Church of St. Paul, Rome, has been in the hands of the builders for some time past, and the very fine portico and facade of the building will soon be completed. Some sixteen years ago the beautiful stained-glass windows were shattered, owing to a serious explosion at a neighbouring powder magazine, and it is now proposed to replace these in addition to the extensive work already carried out.

THE following have been selected to play for the Hongkong Football Club in the rugby match against the United Services to-morrow; kick-off 4.45 p.m. The Club will play in colours:—Back: F. C. Kendall; Three-quarters: W. E. Leckie, T. E. Pearce, A. O. Lang, W. J. Daniel, Halves: R. J. Blackburn; H. W. Pelley. Forwards: H. W. Lester, F. C. Hall, A. Boyd, J. C. Steen, N. F. Hickman, J. Hannon, S. C. Vickers and H. F. Chard.

AT the Police Court this morning, before Mr. F. A. Hazeland, the Malay quarter-master on board the s.s. *Hatman* was charged at the instance of Inspector Gourlay for stealing \$55 from the steward of the ship. It is stated that on 14th inst. the complainant returned to Douglas wharf from the race-course and having no small change in his pocket asked the quarter-master to pay off the ricksha. The quarter-master, it is alleged, went to complainant's pocket, took out \$55 in notes and never returned the money. The next morning the complainant missed the notes and the quarter-master was arrested. Mr. Dixon appeared for the defence and asked for an adjournment. The case was remanded, bail \$100.

THE inventor of the automatic telephone, in offering the machine to the French Government, has promised to provide husbands in Canada for the 2,000 girls the invention will displace.

MR. Denman Fuller, assisted by the Cathedral choir, will give an organ recital in St. John's Cathedral on Tuesday, the 27th inst., at 5.30 p.m. There will be a collection in aid of the choir fund.

IN San Domingo there is a remarkable salt mountain, a mass of crystalline salt almost four miles long, said to contain nearly 90,000,000 tons, and to be so clear that medium-sized print can be read with ease through a block a foot thick.

By kind permission of Lt.-Col. A. G. Flitton, D.S.O., and officers, the Band of the Second Battalion "The Queen's Own" (Royal West Kent Regiment) will play the following programme of music, during dinner, at the Hongkong Hotel, on Saturday, 17th Feb., 1906:—  
March "Connecicut" Reeves  
Overture to "Mirella" Gounod  
Valse "Mandala" Beverley  
Selection from "A Chinese Honey-moon" Talbot  
Fin. Alphonso XI. "The Moorish Song" Wagner  
Oriental Scene "A Dervish Chorus" Sadek  
Selection of "Irish Airs" F. Godfrey  
God Save the King.

## ALGERIRAS.

A CITY OF MANY ROMANTIC ASSOCIATIONS.

Quaint and medieval, but picturesque and gleaming in its sentinel position at the gateway of the Mediterranean, Algier is one of the two bright eyes with which Southern Europe looks across into Africa. It faces Ceuta as Tarifa confronts Tangier. The citizens of Algier are proud, and with ample reason, of seven things—their glorious bay, the romantic history of their town, its lovely hinterland, their magnificent bull-fighting amphitheatre, their lovely women, their incomparable oranges, and the patronage of constant English visitors from Gibraltar. They will henceforth boast that their city was chosen as the scene of a memorable international conference.

The situation of Algier is indeed delectable, writes William Durban in the *Pall Mall Gazette*. It is perched on the western side of the bay; five miles distant by water from Gibraltar, which is ten miles away by road along the coast. There is a singular contrast between the fortress on the frowning rock and the Spanish city which faces it, backed by the Elysian landscape so characteristic of Andalusian scenery. Taking its delightful surrounding into account, Algier is the gem of Andalusia, which is truly the southern paradise of Spain. And this city is the most venerable in that remarkable Camp of Gibraltar in which are also seated La Linea, San Roque, Los Barrios, and Tarifa, all possessed of attractions of their own. Algier is by reason of its history and its position the queen of this domain.

From the neighbouring Serrania de Ronda the eye roams over a panorama of which the radiant loveliness can never be forgotten. The road past the cork forest of Almoraima glistens in contrast to the rich, sombre green of the cork oaks. Vineyards, pomegranate plantations, melon fields, olive groves, pastures, wooded dells, lead the eye down to Algier, then across the sparkling Bay of Gibraltar to the grey crag of Calpe, and over the Straits to the African palm-fringed sands.

What a history of stress, siege, and storm has been that of Algier! This little southern city, with its 20,000 people, looks back thousands of years with its annals. Phœnicians and Carthaginians had familiar footing on this doorstep of Europe. Algier was the initial trophy of the Moors, for they inaugurated their European conquests by its capture in 713. It had long before been a favourite Roman outpost, under the name of Portus Albus, and so fascinated were the Moors by the verdure, flowers, and fruit in which it nestled that they styled it *Jezirat el-Khadra*, the "Green Island." After the deserts of North Africa it was to them a radiant paradise indeed. And they held it in their grasp for seven centuries, until, after several ineffectual sieges, was in 1344 captured by Alphonso XI. Mahomet II. took it in 1399, but he failed to hold it. The great siege of 1544 has never been forgotten. It lasted for twenty months and was the most famous episode of the kind in the fourteenth century, Crusaders from all parts of Christendom flocking to the scene.

Algier has always been of special interest to the British. Charles III. carefully and elaborately fortified it as an outpost against the encroachments of "perfidious Albion." It is still wonderfully Maureque in its aspect. The houses are adorned with curious Oriental balconies. "Celosias," or close lattices, and "rejas," or hanging shutters, jealously guard the interiors from intrusive glances. The cherished glory of the city is the handsome bull-ring, which, like that of the neighbouring little city of La Linea, is capable of seating at least 7,000 spectators. Sunday, when a bull-fight is fixed, is a day not only of morning attendance in goodly numbers at the upstart church, but is an occasion of a most sensational exhibition in the way of a crowd. For two hours before the performance commences the "plaza" is thronged with a gay concourse. Officers in multi, soldiers and sergeants and corporals in bright uniforms, sailors from ships lying in the bay, tourists and travellers, natives and foreigners, make up of themselves an animated show apart from the great function appointed. Algier is one of Spain's bull-fighting head centres. Here many of the finest Andalusian "toros" are seen in the fray with the matador and the picador. Of all the "plazas de toros" in the south of Spain this amphitheatre at Algier is the most renowned. And in it may be seen the most beautiful of the dark-eyed "señoritas" of fair Andalusia, feasting on the exquisite "naranjas" for which the little city is celebrated. The Algier oranges are the most perfect type of the fruit procurable outside of Jamaica.

## CHINA TRADERS' INSURANCE CO., LTD.

An extraordinary general meeting of the above Company was held at the Company's offices, Queen's Buildings, at noon to-day, for the purpose of considering, and if thought fit, passing special resolutions.

Among those present were:—Messrs. H. W. Slade (chairman), A. Haupt, E. Gootz, A. R. Lenzmann (directors); A. Ough, W. J. Saunders, A. B. Rouse, G. de Champeaux, C. M. G. Buraie, O. A. da Cruz, and J. Whittall (secretary).

The Secretary having read the notice convening the meeting,

The Chairman said:—Gentlemen—I have very little to say in connection with the two resolutions to-day submitted for your consideration. In regard to the first, our recently completed association with the Union Insurance Society of Canton, Ltd., makes it advisable that we alter our articles of association to enable us to close our annual accounts concurrently with theirs. The second resolution provides the necessary authority to issue a balance sheet for the period of eight months intervening between the last issued balance sheet, and that which would be called for under the articles when altered as proposed. I have little doubt that they will both receive your sanction. If these resolutions are passed, and duly confirmed at a subsequent meeting to be convened, it is our intention to hold our next annual meeting some time in April, when accounts to the 31st December last will then be presented, and to our late shareholders who have accepted the offer of the Union Insurance Society of Canton, these will serve as a record of the value at that date of the Company's assets. If no shareholder desires more information in regard to these resolutions, I will proceed to move their adoption.

The Chairman proposed, and it was seconded, by Mr. Ough, that resolution No. 1 be adopted.—Carried *unanimously*.

(1) That the articles of association of the Company be altered in the following manner:—

The following article shall be substituted; for article 130, namely:—

130. The Board, through its Secretary, shall make yearly statements of the accounts of the Company from the 1st day of January to the 31st day of December, in each and every year, which shall be duly audited and presented to the shareholders, at each of the ordinary meetings of the Company, together with a report on the general position of the Company.

The Chairman proposed the adoption of resolution No. 2, which was seconded by M. G. de Champeaux.—Carried.

(2) That the Board, through its Secretary, shall make a statement of the accounts of the Company as from the 1st day of May, 1905, to the 31st day of December, 1905, which shall be duly audited and presented to the shareholders at the next ordinary meeting of the Company to be held during 1906 and that, inasmuch as the accounts of the Company have already been audited and presented to the shareholders to the 30th April, 1905, no further or other statements of the accounts of the Company for the year 1905 shall be called for or presented to the shareholders in respect of Article 130 as this day substituted.

The Chairman: A confirmatory meeting will be called on Saturday, 10th March. That was all the business.

AT the first formation of the Coldstream Guards, the pikemen of the regiment were dressed, in green coats with scarlet facings; the musketeers of the corps wore scarlet coats with green facings.

FOR failing to stop when called upon by the police pinnace on the 12th instant, was the charge preferred against the coxswains of the steam launches, *Wai On*, *Ying Fat*, *Lee To* and *E Fat*, at the Police Court to-day. Mr. O. D. Thomson who appeared for the defence of the first launch asked for an adjournment on the ground that there was a clerical error on the summons served. Mr. R. A. Harding appeared for the other two launches, while the *E Fat* was undefended. With the exception of the coxswain of the *Wai On*, whose case stands adjourned, the others were found guilty and his Worship imposed a fine of \$5 each.

P.C. 48 GLENDINNING placed a coolie before the Court on a charge of snatching \$10 from an actor at West Point yesterday. The complainant said that he had cashed some money from the Sun Hing shop and went to Shek-tong-tsu. He went to a certain house where he met the defendant who demanded \$10. Complainant refused to comply with the request as he did not know the man and defendant waited for the chance and as soon as the actor produced some notes to buy opium he snatched \$10 and fled. Mr. Hazeland: "I will remand the case until to-morrow. The complainant, I believe, is of a very shady character."

THERE is a gentleman in Bangkok, says a local journal, who keeps a goose in his compound in lieu of the usual *cane familiaris*. This bird he has trained—well, not exactly to bark—but to give a very creditable imitation of a tram-car hooter whenever a stranger approaches. To this he attributes his freedom from burglars. So he prizes his goose highly and feeds it twice a day on the crumbs, and other things, from his table. But the goose produces nothing more substantial than sound. Now, there is a certain popular Club secretary who has trained a hen (a neighbour's hen, we believe) to come into his office daily and lay an egg. An old golf ball is the nest egg. And, further, he has so reasoned with the intelligent creature that she refrains from announcing to the outer world the advent of another little stranger, in the usual way. Whilst we admire the skill of the man in thus bringing himself *en rapport* with the bird, we are with the gallinaceous mind, what are we to think of the morals of the bird who barters her progeny for a morsel of scraps?

## TELEGRAMS.

[Reuter's.]

## The Reinforcement of the Philippines.

LONDON, 14th February.

The *Washington Post* continues to urge Secretary Taft to take military precautions in preparation for any emergency. Some troops are already on the way to the Philippines.

## GENERAL CORBIN'S EXPLANATION.

What garrison is planned for the Philippine islands? How many American soldiers are to be in the guard of Uncle Sam for this further outpost of his might? Are we to have here a large army and navy or is the increase of the sea and land forces to be small?

There are many rumours afloat. Only the other day it was stated on what seemed to be the best of authority that one of the leading firms of these islands had received a cablegram from one of its members now in Washington, that 10,000 American troops were to be rushed to the Philippines within the next few weeks. It was stated, indeed, that this merchant now in the national capitol, asked his firm here to make immediate and vigorous preparations for the supplying of these foodstuffs for which this firm has a contract with the army.

The Manila *Cablenews* hastened to Major-General Corbin with the exciting and welcome news.

General Corbin laughed.

"Nonsense," he said. "There are 2,000 men ordered here and as far as I know there are no more men to come except to replace those who, in the natural course of army routine, are to take the place of those who leave. There are about 12,000 men here now and these 2,000 would make the total garrison 14,000. We are to have two brigade posts each commanded by a general. One is now at McKinley and Stoenburg is to be raised in rank and population. I ought to know surely if there were any such orders as this alleged cablegram narratives. In fact I heard the same rumour that you have. There is nothing in it."

Of course General Corbin would know if there were additional troops ordered here, but yet it seems probable that within a year the islands are to have instead of a maximum of 14,000 men at least 18,000 or 20,000 men. With the great interests soon to inaugurate railway work here it seems likely that the army here will be increased to protect their property. There is no better proving ground for soldiers than the Philippines. Here weaknesses show, it is true, but strength is made manifest, and men, who have served three years here in peace or war and who re-enlist in the army, are worth more than men who have served their term at home.

The soldier here learns to be a scout; he learns the actualities of life in the field, the care for his health that is needed, and the self-restraint which makes for health and growth in the duties of a fighting man.

With affairs in China looking ominous and Japan becoming greater and more formidable daily, it will behoove America to keep in these islands, permanently, a force of men equal to the task that she has undertaken.

## The Reported Anti-Foreign Feeling in China.

The authorities in London and Peking do not anticipate any serious anti-foreign outbreak in China in spite of the fears in the United States.

## THE HONGKONG VOLUNTEER RESERVE ASSOCIATION.

DENISON CUP.

MR. A. Denison has signified his intention of presenting a cup to the member who puts in the best net card (excluding handicaps) in the competition for the Governor's 1906 Cup.

No match rifles, or rifles or sights of a different style to those provided by the Association to be used.

## SHOOTING DATES.

The King's Park Range, 200 yards, will be available for practice shooting on the following dates in February:—Saturday, 17th, 2.00 to 5.30 o'clock; Sunday, 18th, 9.30 to 12.00; Saturday, 24th, 2.00 to 5.30; Sunday, 25th, 9.30 to 12.00.

Members may shoot for the 1905 Governor's Cup and 1906 Governor's Cup on any of the above dates, but the shoots must be separate. There will also be a pool on the 17th and 18th and one on the 24th and 25th.

Members desiring to have private instruction on week days are requested to communicate with the hon. secretary.

## THE WEATHER.

The following report is from Mr. F. G. Figg, First Assistant of the Hongkong Observatory:—

On the 16th at 11.50 a.m. The barometer has risen in E. Japan, and fallen over W. Japan and the E. coast of China.

Pressure is highest over N. China, and a shallow area of low pressure lies over the Eastern Sea.

Gradients are slight and moderate N.E. winds may be expected in the Formosa Channel, and light E. and variable winds over the N. part of the China Sea.

Forecast:—N.E. winds, light to moderate; misty, some rain.

## SHIPPING AND MAILS.

MAILS DUE.

French (*Oceanien*) 19th inst.

American (*Siberia*) 24th inst.

The O. & O. S. Co.'s s.s. *Doric* which left here on 19th ult., arrived at San Francisco, her destination on 14th inst.

The Java-China-Japan Lijn s.s. *Tjilmahy* left Macassar for this port on 12th inst., and may be expected here on 20th inst.



## TELEGRAMS.

[Reuters.]

## The House of Commons.

LONDON, 14th February.

The Right Hon. James Lowther has been elected Speaker of the House of Commons.

## The United States and Japan.

President Roosevelt has appealed to Americans to contribute to the relief of the famine in the great and friendly nation of Japan.

## The Morocco Conference.

The conference at Algiers has been continued by the discussion of the regulation and suppression of contraband.

## EVERY REASON TO BELIEVE A PEACEABLE OUTCOME.

The international conference to consider the affairs of Morocco was originally announced as likely to meet at Algiers, Spain, on January 10th. A later announcement, however, sets the date of meeting for Monday, January 16th. The conference has been called, of course, at the instance of Germany, as a result of the Kaiser's protest against the Anglo-French treaty, which practically transferred the control of the Sultanate's affairs to France, on the ground that the interests of the republic were greater there than those of any other European nation.

German intervention gave rise at first to considerable friction between Paris and Berlin, which was not improved by the British Government's declaration that it would stand pat with whatever course France decided to pursue. Then came the resignation of Delcasse from the Foreign Office in obedience to Premier Rouvier's desire to relieve the tension with the German Government. Subsequently the two Governments reached an amicable adjustment of the contention over the holding of the conference and the subjects which it should consider. Under the latter arrangement France's right to police the Moroccan-Algerian border and some other points of minor interest relating to customs, finance and contraband were conceded by Germany and the war clouds were dispersed.

But, after the contention between the French and German Governments had been amicably settled, sensationalists busied themselves spreading abroad alarmist reports concerning the possibility of international trouble growing out of the coming conference, all of which had a tendency to create a certain feeling of uneasiness at the European capitals. The bourses were naturally sensitive to the influence of these reports. Doubtless they were circulated for that purpose, and those who were instrumental in setting them afloat manipulated the market fluctuations for their own profit. Aside from these sensational reports there has been nothing in the conduct of Germany toward France, since the agreement to hold an international conference was reached, to indicate that its deliberations would have any other than pacific results. It is incredible that any of the powers will precipitate a war over the control of the affairs of so insignificant a state as Morocco. Germany's initiative for the conference was taken in defence of her commercial interests. She will doubtless be content in safeguarding them by international agreement for an open door, which the conference is likely to guarantee.—*Ex.*

## The Hongkong Loan.

The Hongkong 3½ per cent. loan for £1,000,000 has been issued at 99.

## Russia.

A band of armed men, with revolvers, made an attack on the Savings Bank in St. Petersburg at daylight.

The police drove them off after severe fighting, during which several were killed.

The Polish revolutionaries announce that they have abandoned political strikes, and that they will resort henceforth to bombs.

The Governor of Odessa has notified that the possessors of bombs and explosives, or their accomplices, will be executed without a trial.

## HARBOR FATALITY.

## COOLIE BOAT TURNS TURTLE.

At about seven o'clock yesterday morning while a coolie boat, containing a crew of six persons, was sailing off Tai-tan-tai Point a strong gust of wind suddenly turned her over. The crew were all thrown into the water and it was not until some hours later that it was discovered that a girl, aged six, was missing. The body has not yet been discovered. The other members of the crew swam ashore and were saved.

## CRIMINAL SESSIONS.

The next Criminal Sessions will be held on Monday, the 19th inst., when the following cases will be tried.

1. Shun Tim, for armed robbery.
2. U Pan, charged under the Bankruptcy Ordinance.
3. Chan Kam, Wong Ping, Ho Ah Wong, for murder.
4. Chan Yeung, Chau Shui Ngau, Wong Lui Kiu, for armed robbery.

The charge against Choy Chun Li, alias Choy Chung, under the Bankruptcy Ordinance, is traversed to next session.

The earliest cannon were made of iron bars and hoops, leather, and wood. Brass cannon were cast for the first time in 1521, and iron cannon in 1543. Solid balls were employed, at first of stone, and later of cast iron, and in some cases of wrought iron.

## "PRINCESS TOTO"

AT THE THEATRE ROYAL.

There can be but one opinion among all those who visited the Theatre Royal last night to witness the performance of *Princess Toto* by the Hongkong Amateur Dramatic Club, and that is that we have every reason to be proud of the possibilities and capabilities of our local amateur dramatic talent.

When it was first announced, weeks ago, that the A.D.C. was going to give a representation of Gilbert's comic opera, *Princess Toto*, it was generally thought that, in view of the absence from the Colony of some of the leading lights of the A.D.C., the selection was somewhat ambitious, but this idea was entirely dispelled very shortly after the raising of the curtain last night. From start to finish, the performance went with a swing and a verve seldom met with in amateur performances. And if the solo singing was here and there (we will make no invidious distinctions) a bit shaky and uncertain, surely the unpleasant atmospheric conditions now so long prevailing, with the attendant train of colds, sore-throats and general discomfort in the region of the chest, should be sufficient to account for and excuse even greater shakiness and uncertainty, of which, all things considered, it was certainly surprising that there was not more in evidence, when it is remembered that during the whole period of the arduous work of rehearsals the weather maintained a consistent dreary dampness not conducive to keeping the songsters in the best voice and form. Thus the performance of last night is all the more creditable to all those taking part in it.

The scheme of the play (scarcely to be called a plot) is as usual in comic operas, of the flimsiest description, and turns on the extraordinary lapses of memory of the heroine, *Princess Toto*, who, by reason of her want of memory, is led into the most comical situations, marrying anybody who asks her, and then five minutes after forgetting all about any such contingency having taken place in her life, all of which is highly amusing and mirth-provoking, especially in the scene when the bridegroom, *Prince Caramel*, does not appear on time, and the *Princess Toto*'s naive remarks that bridegrooms "are of very little account at weddings and scarcely necessary," and that if a wedding must take place, since *Prince Caramel* is not present, "why not this gentleman for a bridegroom?" turning to a courtier standing by, who, however, turns out to be a long lost betrothed of the *Princess*, who was supposed to have been drowned at sea. This is the first of a series of engagements and marriages. The whole scheme is, of course, very inconsequential, but it is full of delightful situations whenever *Princess Toto* is on the boards, for it is only necessary for us to tell our readers that the title role was in the hands of Miss Francis Clark, for the saying that we say volumes. Everybody—that is every theatre-goer—knows Mrs. Francis Clark's capabilities, and how her personality at once rivets the attention the moment she steps on to any stage, while her performance and interpretation of any character entrusted to her charge may be relied upon, as a foregone conclusion, to be as entirely perfect as the assumption of a character not one's own can ever be. Last night this fact was very evident, for not only was she, as *Princess Toto*, letter-perfect, but her whole performance, evenly sustained through the three acts, showed that she had not only committed her "part" to memory, but that she had studied and fully grasped the possibilities of each situation as it developed. Thus for *Princess Toto*. To take the other characters *Princess Toto* we come to *King Portico* (Mr. W. M. Stewart), a potentate who is weighed down with the terrible fear that he may be made ridiculous in the eyes of other nations, and advises all and sundry attached to his Court to maintain their dignity and self-respect, and the comical spectacle of his all-pervading anxiety to that intent, when his daughter's bridegroom-elect at the end of three days' waiting still remains absent, must be seen to be appreciated, for it cannot adequately be described. As *Zepeter*, the Prime Minister, Mr. H. M. Kendall was quite at home, as was only to be expected by those who have seen him on the boards before, and his "pleasing diplomacy" with the tardy bridegroom, *Prince Caramel*, on which he is so self-gratulatory, is truly great. *Trombone* (Mr. G. Grimble) was another very successful impersonation, and entirely fulfilled all anticipations from this capable amateur, while Mr. M. S. Northcote, as *Jamilik*, was bubbling over with humour, and delivered his long-winded answers to the simplest questions in happy strain, and was generally irrepressible whenever a chance arose to roll off another lengthy speech. To Surgeon Horley, R.N. (*Princess Toto*), the first betrothed of *Princess Toto*, the greatest credit is due for some very good work undertaken at short notice, owing to the unavoidable withdrawal, a week ago, of Mr. Geo. P. Lammert, who had been billed for the part. Surgeon Horley made the most of his part, and showed that he had given it careful study in the short time at his disposal. As *Prince Caramel*, the jilted fiancé of *Princess Toto*, Mr. Carruthers was capital, and the wonderful things he was going to do, but did not have the courage to perform, in vengeance for being jilted, were the cause of much merriment. *Count Florio* (Mr. Franklin) and *Baron Jacques* (Mr. A. E. Paine) were good in minor parts, the latter's singing being very pleasing. *The Prisoner* (Mr. R. Whitmore) had very little to do, being a somewhat inconsequent character, but he did that little well. The parts of the maids of honour, *Jolly Follette* and *Flummary*, were undertaken by Miss Dora Humphreys, Miss Cohen, and Mrs. Perkins, respectively, and could scarcely have been in better hands. Miss Humphreys showed herself possessed of remarkable dramatic talent, and both as a singer and actress was in perfect form. Miss Cohen was another revelation, being a very pleasing cantatrice and danseuse, and evincing considerable talent. Mrs. Perkins, as *Flummary*, had but a minor part to fill, but did not lose sight of a single opportunity that it afforded. Masters Bullock and Martin made two bright little pages in attendance upon *Princess Toto*. Altogether Mr. E. W. Mitchell, Mr. Denman Fuller and their supporters are to be congratulated on what must be pronounced a distinct success. The scenery was very tasteful; the costumes designed by Miss Wallace dainty; the singing, both solo and chorus, more than pleasing; while the local quips and topical hits tickled the audience every time.

The principals are mentioned above and the following are the other performers; and orchestra.

Ladies of the Court, Glades, Tessants, Indians, etc.:—Mesdames Andrews, Capell, Drew, Hance, E. Jones, Jones, Lambert, Moss, Morris, Perkins, Rowe, E. Rose, Schuster, and Schuller.

Geniuses of the Court, Bandits, Indians, etc.:—Messrs. J. P. Auld, F. A. Alden, Tom Clarke, A. J. Darby, W. A. Dingley, H. W. Dwyer, C. E. A. Humphreys, G. Humphreys, C. Hance, J. Hance, H. S. Holmes, J. Lammert, C. E. Parker, H. F. Peley, L. C. Rees, G. Norton Smith, J. W. Sibley, R. H. Stearns, A. E. Wright, and J. A. Young.

Principal Dancers:—Mesdames Cohen, Lambert and E. Rowe.

ORCHESTRA.

Musical Director:—Mr. Denman Fuller, F.R.C.M., L.M.A., 1st Violin:—Messrs. F. C. Barlow, H. F. Hickman, A. Pearson, and A. Schmitz, 2nd Violin:—Messrs. Catchick and J. C. Ross, Viola:—Mr. V. Gonzales, Cello:—Mr. P. Miller, Double Bass:—Dr. J. H. Swan, Flute:—J. D. Omgund, Oboe:—Mr. W. Anderson, Clarinet:—Mr. A. S. Tuxford, Cornet:—Messrs. W. H. Bristow and A. Darby, Side Drum and Triangle:—Mr. F. Caesar, Organ:—Mr. F. F. Bovey, Piano:—Mr. E. J. Chapman.

The analysis of the following numbers has been specially composed for "Princess Toto" by Mr. Denman Fuller.

Act I.—Song "The World of Dreams."

Act II.—Song, Chorus and Dance "Moon, Moon" (Words by Mrs. Francis Clark).

Act III.—Song and Chorus "He's her Hong Kong Pal" (Words by Denman Fuller).

## OFF-DAY RACES.

## THE PROGRAMME.

The programme for the Off-Day of the Race Meeting to-morrow is as follows:—

THE "SPECULATION" CUP.—Presented. For all subscription griffins that have run at this meeting and not won a race. Weight for inches as per scale. Unplaced ponies allowed 5 lb. Entrance \$10, to go to second pony. Five furlongs.

THE VISITORS' CUP.—Presented. Value \$250. For all griffins that have run at this meeting and not won a race. Weight for inches as per scale. Subscription griffins that have run at this meeting and been placed second allowed 3 lb, those that have been placed third allowed 5 lb. Unplaced subscription griffins allowed 10 lb. Off-day second pony. Once round.

THE "KING" CUP.—Presented. For all China ponies that have run at this meeting and not won a race. Weight for inches as per scale. Unplaced ponies and *bona fide* griffins on date of entry allowed 5 lb. Subscription griffins of this and last seasons allowed 10 lb. Allowances not accumulative. Off-day winners barred. Entrance \$10, to go to second pony. One mile and a half.

THE "ZAPETER" CUP.—Presented. For subscription griffins of this season that have run at this meeting and not won a race. Weight for inches as per scale. Unplaced ponies during first three days allowed 5 lb. Off-day placed ponies not penalised. Off-day winners barred. Entrance \$10, to go to second pony. One mile and a quarter.

THE GENERAL'S CUP.—Presented by Major-General Villiers-Baton, C.B. For horses 14 hands 1 inch and over. Walters to carry to stone for 14 hds. 1 in, if over that height weight for inches as per scale of 8 lbs. per inch. Arabs and Indian country-breds allowed 4 lb. Entrance \$10 to go to second horse. One mile.

THE "TRIUMPH" CUP.—Presented. For all China ponies that have run at this meeting and not won a race. Weight for inches as per scale. Griffins allowed 5 lb. Subscription griffins allowed 7 lb. Off-day winners barred. Entrance \$10, to go to second pony. From the two-mile post once round and in.

THE "ROSE" CUP.—Presented. For all griffins that have run at this meeting and not won a race. Weight for inches as per scale. Unplaced ponies allowed 5 lb. Off-day winners barred. Entrance \$10, to go to second pony. Three-quarters of a mile.

THE "KNIGHTS" CUP.—Value \$150. Presented. For subscription griffins that have started on the Off-day and not won a race. Unplaced ponies on the Off-day allowed 5 lb. Weight for inches as per scale. Half a mile. The first saddling bell will be sounded at 1.30 p.m., and the first race starts at 2 p.m. sharp.

A FEW FANCIES.

A contributor sends us the following notes:—Eight events will be run for on the Off-Day, the first being the "Speculation" Cup for all non-winning subscription griffins. As the entries will all be made at the post, at present one does not know how the different ponies will start. But one of the sprinters like The Skirl, Rabbit, or Sirocco should take the race. The Visitors' Cup should go to New Boy if he elects to run in this race.

The "King" Cup, a mile and a half, should see Donnybrook or Mikosh in the van unless La France Rose suddenly decides to gallop on entering the straight, and not "shutting up" as is his usual custom.

Zepeter Cup should be held safe by Pathan, if he starts.

The General's Cup should see not more than five entries, a bay war, who will be ridden by Lieut. Hamer, is expected to do something. Mr. Lambert's mare, Clare, should be good for half or three-quarters of a mile, but cannot possibly secure a win at a mile. A big brown water mare will be ridden by Mackle and from all accounts she has the reputation of being very fast, and besides can stay the distance. The other entrant is a bay arab, who has been confined to slow work so that as to his merits I am unable to offer an opinion. My tip, however, is to back Mackle's mount.

The "Triumph" Cup might be Beancake's. The "Rose Cup," three-quarters of a mile, should have about four starters and New Boy on his running in the Maidsens, has a fair chance. The last race—the "Knights" Cup—should be won by Rabbit.

## COMMERCIAL.

## LANGKATS.

T.L.S. 7.50 INTERIM DIVIDEND.

Messrs. Erich Georg and Co. kindly inform us that they are in receipt of a telegram from Shanghai, advising them that a first interim dividend for the current year, of Tls. 7½ per share, will be payable on 15th March, 1906.

[Similar information to the above has been communicated to us by Messrs. Benjamin, Kelly and Potts.—*Ed. H.K.T.*]

Quotations for the week close as follows:—

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| Hongkong Bank         | ... | \$395 a.s. & s. 196 |
| National Bank         | ... | 38 b.               |
| Union Insurance       | ... | 735 a.s. & b.       |
| China Traders         | ... | 91 b.               |
| Canton Insurance      | ... | 335 b.              |
| Hongkong Fire         | ... | 320 a.              |
| China Fire            | ... | 88 a.               |
| H. C. & M. Steamboats | ... | 25 a. ex div.       |
| Indo-China            | ... | 97                  |
| Douglases             | ... | 47                  |
| China Sugars          | ... | 216 a.              |
| Luzons                | ... | 40                  |
| Rauha                 | ... | 280 s.              |
| Docks                 | ... | 165 s.              |
| Kowloon Wharfs        | ... | 107½ s.             |
| Farnham               | ... | 124 b.              |
| Hongkong Wharfs       | ... | 230 s.              |
| Hongkong Lands        | ... | 120 s.              |
| Hongkong Hotels       | ... | 149                 |
| Humphreys Estates     | ... | 12 a. ex div.       |
| Ewo Coltons           | ... | Tls. 54 b.          |
| Green Island Cements  | ... | \$ 314 b.           |
| Electric (new)        | ... | 162 b.              |
| Do.                   | ... | 154 b.              |
| Langkats              | ... | Tls. 232½           |

TODAY'S EXCHANGE.

|                     |     |            |
|---------------------|-----|------------|
| Bank T.T.           | ... | 204        |
| Do. demand          | ... | 20 13/16   |
| Do. 4 months' sight | ... | 20 1/2     |
| France—Bank T.T.    | ... | 250        |
| America—Bank T.T.   | ... | 502        |
| Germany—Bank T.T.   | ... | 211½       |
| India T.T.          | ... | 153½       |
| Do. demand          | ... | 154        |
| Bank T.T.           | ... | 71½ nom.   |
| Singapore T.T.      | ... | 141½ prem. |
| Japan—Bank T.T.     | ... | 101        |
| Java—Bank T.T.      | ... | 124        |

Buying.

|                                         |     |      |
|-----------------------------------------|-----|------|
| 4 months' sight L.C.                    | ... | 212  |
| 6 months' sight L.C.                    | ... | 211  |
| 30 days' sight San Francisco & New York | ... | 502  |
| 1 month's sight Sydney and Melbourne    | ... | 211  |
| 1 month's sight Farnham                 | ... | 264  |
| 6 months' sight                         | ... | 265½ |
| 4 months' sight Germany                 | ... | 217  |
| Bar Silver                              | ... | 34   |
| Bank of England rate                    | ... | 4.7  |
| Sovereign                               | ... | 9.65 |

## To-day's Advertisements.

## THE HONGKONG ST. ANDREW'S SOCIETY.

THE SCOTTISH HISTORY EXAMINATION (advertised in August last) for CHILDREN OF SCOTTISH PARAGAGE, will be held in the City Hall, on THURSDAY, 8th March.

Names of intending Competitors should be sent to the undersigned, who will be pleased to supply any further particulars which may be required.

W. ARMSTRONG,  
Hon. Secretary,  
(c/o Butterfield & Swire).  
Hongkong, 16th February, 1906. [237]

## PONIES! PONIES! PONIES!

THE Undersigned will hold their Annual Sale of Race Ponies by Public Roup as under:—

On TUESDAY,  
the 20th February, 1906, at 4 P.M., opposite the CITY HALL,

FIFTY LOTS;  
and on

WEDNESDAY,  
the 21st February, 1906, at 4 P.M., at KENNEDY'S CAUSEWAY RAY REPOSITORY,

FIFTY LOTS.  
Catalogues will be issued.

TERMS:—As usual.  
HUGHES & HOUGH,  
Auctioneers.  
Hongkong, 16th February, 1906. [234]

## PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions from the CHAIRMAN SUPERINTENDENT OF POLICE, to sell by

PUBLIC AUCTION,  
ON

MONDAY,  
the 26th February, 1906, at 11 A.M., at the Central Police Station's Compound,

SUNDRY OBSOLETE AND CONDEMNED STORES,  
Comprising:—

RICE, SUGAR, OLD METAL, CLOTHING, &c., &c.

A quantity of SILVER, GOLD and DIAMOND JEWELRY.

TERMS:—As usual.  
HUGHES & HOUGH,  
Government Auctioneers.  
Hongkong, 16th February, 1906. [239]

## THEATRE ROYAL.

## CITY HALL.

## HONGKONG AMATEUR DRAMATIC CLUB.

## "PRINCESS TOTO,"

A Comic Opera in Three Acts,  
By W. S. GILBERT,  
will be produced

TO-NIGHT,  
(FRIDAY), 16th February, 1906.

SATURDAY, 17th "  
MONDAY, 19th "  
TUESDAY, 20th "  
WEDNESDAY, 21st "

Prices ... \$3, \$2 and \$1.  
Sailors and Soldiers in uniform—half-price to Pit and Pit Stalls.

Doors Open at 8.30 P.M. Performance at 9 P.M.

Booking Office at the ROBINSON PIANO CO., open on and after FRIDAY, the 9th February, from 10 A.M. to 4.30 P.M. each day.

M. S. NORTHCOTE,  
Business Manager.  
Hongkong, 16th February, 1906. [192]

## To-day's Advertisements.

## HONGKONG HOTEL.

## —MENU—

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 17TH, 1906.  
DINNER.

## HORS D'OEUVRES.

Macassar Fish and Olive Croutons.

## SOUP.

Tomato Soup.

## FISH.

Scalloped Fish.

## ENTREES.

Lamb Cutlets and Maccedoine.  
Rolled Fillet of Veal and Macaroni.  
Cabbage Farce.

## CURRY.

Oyster Curry.

## JOINTS.

Roast Sirloin of Beef and Horseradish.  
Roast Turkey and Cranberry Sauce.  
Boiled Corned Leg of Pork and Pease Pudding.  
Cold Roast Wild Duck and Mixed Salad.

## SWEETS.

Lemon Pudding.  
Marschino Ice Cream and Finger Cakes.  
Cocoanut Tart. Topsy Cake.

## DESSERT.

Coffee. Fruits. [236]

## CHINA TRADERS' INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that an EXTRA-ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the above-named Company will be held at the Registered Office of the Company at Queen's Buildings, Victoria, in the Colony of Hongkong, on SATURDAY, the Tenth day of March, 1906, at 12 o'clock, Noon, when the Resolutions set out below which were passed at the Extraordinary General Meeting of the Company held on the Sixteenth day of February, 1906, will be submitted for confirmation as Special Resolutions.

By Order of the Board,  
JAMES WHITTALL,  
Secretary.

Hongkong, 16th February, 1906.

## RESOLUTIONS.

1.—That the Articles of Association of the Company be altered in the following manner:—

The following Article shall be substituted for Article 130, namely:—130. The Board, through its Secretary, shall make Yearly Statements of the Accounts of the Company from the 1st day of January to the 31st day of December in each and every year, which shall be duly audited and presented to the Shareholders, at each of the Ordinary Meetings of the Company, together with a Report on the general position of the Company.

2.—That the Board, through its Secretary, shall make a Statement of the Accounts of the Company as from the 1st day of May, 1905, to the 31st day of December, 1905, which shall be duly audited and presented to the Shareholders at the next Ordinary Meeting of the Company to be held during 1906 and that, inasmuch as the Accounts of the Company have already been audited and presented to the Shareholders to the 30th April, 1905, no further or other Statements of the Accounts of the Company for the year 1905 shall be called for by or presented to the Shareholders in respect of Article 130 as this day substituted. [238]

## HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE.

## REGULAR SERVICE TO WLADIVOSTOK.

S.S. "KOWLOON,"  
Capt. Stehr ... 20th February ... (via Tsingtau).

S.S. "SLAVONIA,"  
Capt. Porzelius ... 26th February ... (via Nagasaki).

S.S. "DAPHNE,"  
Capt. Schipper ... 4th March ... (via Shanghai).

The steamers have superior First-class Accommodation for Passengers.

For Freight and Passage, apply to  
HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE,  
Hongkong Office.

Hongkong, 16th February, 1906. [235]

## Entertainment.

## THEATRE ROYAL, HONGKONG.

Lessee & Manager: MAURICE E. BANDMANN.

FOR A SHORT SEASON ONLY.

IMPORTANT ENGAGEMENT OF THE WORLD RENOWNED

BANDMANN OPERA CO.

UNDER THE PERSONAL DIRECTION OF MAURICE E. BANDMANN,

And by special arrangement with MR. GEORGE EDWARDS

And the GAITY THEATRE, LONDON.

FRIDAY, Feb. 23rd, and SATURDAY, 24th.

The present Great Prince of Wales' Theatre, London, Success, the Excellent Musical Comedy

LADY "MADCAP,"

Still crowding the Prince of Wales'



## Shipping—Steamers.

OCEAN STEAMSHIP CO., LD.  
AND  
CHINA MUTUAL STEAM NAV. CO., LD.

## JOINT SERVICES.

FORTNIGHTLY SAILINGS FOR LONDON AND CONTINENT.  
MONTHLY SAILINGS FOR LIVERPOOL.TAKING CARGO ON THROUGH BILLS OF LADING FOR ALL EUROPEAN,  
NORTH AND SOUTH AMERICAN, WEST AUSTRALIAN, JAVA  
AND SUMATRA PORTS.

## EUROPEAN SERVICE.

## OUTWARD.

| FROM                  | STEAMERS          | DUE            |
|-----------------------|-------------------|----------------|
| GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL | "YANGTSE" .....   | 17th February. |
| GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL | "LAERTES" .....   | 18th "         |
| GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL | "DIOMED" .....    | 27th "         |
| GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL | "AGAMEMNON" ..... | 6th March.     |
| GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL | "TEENKAI" .....   | 13th "         |
| GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL | "KEEMUN" .....    | 17th "         |
| GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL | "MACHAON" .....   | 20th "         |
| GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL | "KINTUCK" .....   | 28th "         |

The S.S. "Yangtze" left Singapore on the morning of the 12th inst. and is due here on the 17th.  
The S.S. "Laertes" left Singapore on the 12th inst. p.m. and is due here on the 18th.

## HOMEWARD.

| FOR                          | STEAMERS           | TO SAIL        |
|------------------------------|--------------------|----------------|
| * GENOA, MARSEILLES & L'POOL | "ANTENOR" .....    | 20th February. |
| AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP  | "SAINT BEDE" ..... | 27th "         |
| AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP  | "ACHILLES" .....   | 13th March.    |
| * GENOA, MARSEILLES & L'POOL | "PELEUS" .....     | 20th "         |
| AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP  | "ALCINOUS" .....   | 27th "         |
| AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP  | "DIOMED" .....     | 10th April.    |
| * GENOA, MARSEILLES & L'POOL | "AGAMEMNON" .....  | 17th "         |
| AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP  | "TEENKAI" .....    | 24th "         |

## TRANS-PACIFIC SERVICE.

OPERATING IN CONJUNCTION WITH

## THE NORTHERN PACIFIC RAILWAY CO.

AND TAKING CARGO ON THROUGH BILLS OF LADING TO ALL  
OVERLAND COMMON POINTS IN THE UNITED STATES  
OF AMERICA AND CANADA.

## EASTWARD.

| FOR                            | STEAMERS        | TO SAIL        |
|--------------------------------|-----------------|----------------|
| VICTORIA, SEATTLE, TACOMA, and | "YANGTSE" ..... | 19th February. |
| all PACIFIC COAST PORTS, via   |                 |                |
| NAGASAKI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA    | "KEEMUN" .....  | 19th March.    |

## WESTWARD.

| FROM                          | STEAMER       | DUE            |
|-------------------------------|---------------|----------------|
| TACOMA, SEATTLE, VICTORIA and | "OANFA" ..... | 25th February. |
| PACIFIC COAST                 |               |                |

For Freight, apply to

## BUTTERFIELD &amp; SWIRE,

AGENTS.

Hongkong, 16th February, 1906.

## CHINA NAVIGATION CO., LIMITED.

| FOR                                                                                                 | STEAMERS          | TO SAIL        |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------|----------------|
| AMOI, MANILA, CEBU and ILOILO                                                                       | "SUNGKIANG" ..... | 17th February. |
| SHANGHAI                                                                                            | "PAOTING" .....   | 17th "         |
| SHANGHAI                                                                                            | "KIUKIANG" .....  | 20th "         |
| MANILA                                                                                              | "TAMING" .....    | 20th "         |
| MANILA, ZAMBOANGA, PORT DARWIN, THURSDAY ISLAND, COOKTOWN, CAIRNS, TOWNSVILLE, SYDNEY and MELBOURNE | "TSINAN" .....    | 28th "         |

\* The Attention of Passengers is directed to the Superior Accommodation offered by these steamers, which are fitted throughout with Electric Light. Unvalued table. A duly qualified Surgeon is carried.

† Taking Cargo on through Bills of Lading to all Yangtze and Northern China Ports.

‡ Taking Cargo and Passengers at through Rates for all New Zealand and other Australian Ports.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

## BUTTERFIELD &amp; SWIRE,

AGENTS.

Hongkong, 16th February, 1906.



## HONGKONG—MANILA.

Highest Class, newest, fastest and most luxurious Steamers  
between Hongkong and Manila.—Saloon amidships—Electric  
Light—Perfect Cuisine—Surgeon and Stewardess carried.  
—All the most up-to-date arrangements for comfort of  
Passengers.CHINA AND MANILA  
STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

| Steamship.   | Tons. | Captain.        | For    | Sailing Dates.                  |
|--------------|-------|-----------------|--------|---------------------------------|
| RUBI .....   | 2540  | R. Almond ..... | MANILA | SATURDAY, 17th Feb.<br>at Noon. |
| ZAFIRO ..... | 2540  | R. Rodger ..... | "      | SATURDAY, 24th Feb.<br>at Noon. |

For Freight or Passage, apply to

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,  
GENERAL MANAGERS.

Hongkong, 10th February, 1906.



## HONGKONG—NEW YORK.

AMERICAN ASIATIC  
STEAMSHIP CO.

FOR NEW YORK via PORTS AND SUEZ CANAL.

(With Liberty to Call at the Malabar Coast).

| Steamship | About |
|-----------|-------|
|-----------|-------|

For Freight and further information, apply to

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,  
General Agents.

Hongkong, 23rd December, 1905.

## TWIN TING.

LATEST METHODS OF DENTISTRY.

STUDIO AT NO. 14, D'AGUIAR STREET.

REASONABLE FEES.

Consultation Free.  
Hongkong, 20th July, 1904.DR. M. H. OHAUN,  
THE LATEST METHOD

OF THE

AMERICAN SYSTEM OF DENTISTRY.

37, DES VIOUX ROAD CENTRAL.  
From the University of Pennsylvania, U.S.A.  
Hongkong, 22nd July, 1905.

## Shipping—Steamers.

## HONGKONG-MACAO LINE.

S.S. "WING CHAI"  
Captain T. AUSTIN, R.N.M.THIS Steamer departs from Hongkong on  
Week Days, at 8 A.M. and on Sundays  
at 8.30 A.M. Departs from Macao on Week  
Days at 2.30 P.M. and on Sundays at 5.30 P.M.,  
if tide permits.FARES.—Week Days, 1st Class, including  
Cabin and servant, Single \$3; Return Ticket,  
\$5; 2nd Class, \$1; 3rd Class, 50 cents.  
Every Sunday will be an Excursion, at the  
following rates: 1st and 2nd Class, Single  
Ticket, \$1; Return, \$2; 3rd Class, Single, 50  
cents; Return, 30 cents; Steerage, 10 cents.  
Breakfast, Tiffin and Dinner can be supplied  
either on Board, or at the Macao Hotel, for  
returning passengers only, at an extra charge  
of \$2.On Sundays, passengers desiring to have a  
Private Cabin which has accommodation for  
two or more passengers, will be charged \$3  
extra.  
First Class Passengers, who do not care to  
return on the Excursion Sunday, will be allowed  
to do so the following day (Monday) on pro-  
duction of the Return Half Ticket. Should  
the Steamer not run on the Monday, owing to  
the Boiler cleaning, due notice will be given  
by the Captain, and the Half Ticket will be  
available for the following day.  
The Steamer is lit throughout by Electricity.  
The Steamer's wharf at Hongkong is at the  
Western end of Wing Lok Street.SAM WANG CO.  
Hongkong, 2nd January, 1906.

## STEAM TO CANTON.

THE New Twin Screw Steel Steamers

| Tons               | Captain       |
|--------------------|---------------|
| "KWONG CHOW" ..... | T. R. MEAD.   |
| "KWONG TUNG" ..... | H. W. WALKER. |

Leave Hongkong for Canton at 9 every  
evening (Saturday excepted).  
Leave Canton for Hongkong about 5.30  
o'clock every evening (Sunday excepted).These Fine New Steamers have unexcelled  
Accommodation for First Class Passengers and  
are lit throughout by Electricity. Electric Fans  
in First Class Cabins.Passage Fare—Single Journey .....
| Meals ..... | 5s each. |
The Company's Wharf is a short distance  
West of the Harbour Master's Office.SHIU ON S.S. CO., LD., and  
YUEN ON S.S. CO., LD.,  
No. 8, Queen's Road West.

Hongkong, 23rd August, 1905.

## INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION CO., LD.

(PROJECTED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.—SUBJECT TO ALTERATION).

| For                         | Steamship        | On                           |
|-----------------------------|------------------|------------------------------|
| SHANGHAI via SWATOW         | "CHOYSANG" ..... | SUNDAY, 18th Feb., Daylight. |
| S'GAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA | "WANSANG" .....  | THURSDAY, 22nd Feb., 3 P.M.  |

† Taking Cargo on through Bills of Lading to Chefoo and Yangtze Ports.

\* These Steamers have superior accommodation for First-class Passengers, and are fitted  
throughout with Electric Light.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.,  
General Managers.

Hongkong, 16th February, 1906.

## PORTLAND &amp; ASIATIC STEAMSHIP CO.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG, via SHANGHAI, INLAND  
SEA OF JAPAN, MOJI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA,

## PORTLAND, OREGON,

OPERATING IN CONNECTION WITH

## THE OREGON RAILROAD AND NAVIGATION COMPANY.

| Steamship         | Tons  | Captain    | To sail at Daylight on           |
|-------------------|-------|------------|----------------------------------|
| "ARABIA" .....    | 4,483 | Metzenhain | WEDNESDAY, February 21st, 5 P.M. |
| "ARAGONIA" .....  | 5,193 | Ernst      | March 11th.                      |
| "NICOMEDIA" ..... | 4,370 | Wagemann   | March 23rd.                      |
| "NUMANTIA" .....  | 4,370 | Feldmann   | April 8th.                       |

The S.S. "Nicomedia" left Portland on the 13th instant, and is due here about March 13th.

Through Bills of Lading issued to Pacific Coast Points and all Eastern, Canadian and  
United States Points. For through rates of Freight and further information, communicate  
with or apply to

S. SILVERSTONE, Acting General Agent.

## "BEN" LINE OF STEAMERS.

FOR LONDON AND ANTWERP.

THE Steamship

"BENLARIQ" .....
| Captain Wallace, will be despatched as above, on or about the 23rd instant. |  |  |
For Freight or Passage, apply to  
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO.,  
Agents.

Hongkong, 6th February, 1906.

EASTERN AND AUSTRALIAN STEAM-  
SHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.FOR SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE,  
(Calling at Manila, Port Darwin and  
Queensland Ports, and taking through Cargo to  
Adelaide, New Zealand, Tasmania, &c.)

THE Steamship

"EASTERN" .....
| Captain Powell, will be despatched for the above Ports, on SATURDAY, the 3rd March, at Noon. |  |  |
This well-known Steamer is specially fitted  
for Passengers, and has a Refrigerating Cham-  
ber, which ensures the supply of Fresh Provi-  
sions, Ice, &c., throughout the voyage.This Steamer is installed throughout with  
the Electric Light.A Stewardess and a duly qualified Surgeon  
are carried.N.B.—To assure the additional comfort of  
passengers the steamers of the Company have  
electric fans fitted in staterooms.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO.,  
Agents.

Hongkong, 31st January, 1906.

## NORTHERN PACIFIC LINE.

## BOSTON STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

## BOSTON TOW-BOAT COMPANY.

Connecting at Tacoma with  
NORTHERN PACIFIC RAILWAY  
COMPANY.PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG FOR  
VICTORIA, B.C., AND TACOMA,  
via  
MOJI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.Steamer
| Tons | Captain | Sailing |
| Trident ..... | 9,506 T. W. Gardick | 24th Feb. |
| Lyra ..... | 4,417 G. V. Williams | — |
| Shawmut ..... | 9,506 E. V. Roberts | — |

\* Cargo only.

CHEAP FARES, EXCELLENT ACCOMMODATION,  
ATTENDANCE AND CUISINE, ELECTRIC  
LIGHT, DOCTOR AND STEWARDESS.The twin crew s.s. *Shawmut* and *Trident*  
are fitted with very superior accommodation  
for first and second class passengers. The  
large size of these vessels ensures steadiness  
at sea. Electric fan in each room.Barber's shop and steam-laundry\* Cargo  
carried in cold storage.For further information, apply to  
DODWELL & CO., LIMITED,  
General Agents.Queen's Buildings.  
Hongkong, 15th February, 1906.REGULAR STEAMSHIP SERVICE  
TO NEW YORK,via PORTS AND SUEZ CANAL,  
(With Liberty to Call at Malabar Coast).

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

| Steamship | About |
|-----------|-------|
|-----------|-------|

"ST. GEORGE" .....
| "SHIMOSA" ..... | to follow. |
For Freight and further information, apply  
toDODWELL & CO., LIMITED,  
Agents.

Hongkong, 9th February, 1906.

## Shipping—Steamer.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES  
MARITIMES.

PAQUEBOTS-POSTE FRANCAIS.

FOR SHANGHAI, KOBE AND  
YOKOHAMA.

THE Company's Steamship

"OCEANIC" .....
| Captain Courret, will be despatched as above, on or about MONDAY, the 19th instant. |  |  |
For Freight or Passage, apply to  
G. DE CHAMPEAUX,  
Agent.

Hongkong, 13th February, 1906.

## Insurance.

NORTH GERMAN FIRE INSUR-  
ANCE COMPANY OF HAMBURG.THE Undersigned AGENTS of the above  
Company are prepared to accept First  
Class FOREIGN and CHINESE RISKS at  
CURRENT RATES.

SIEMSEN &amp; Co.

Hongkong 28th May, 1904.

## For Sale.

## FOR SALE.

A BROWN WALER (MARE) "KITTY,"  
and a double set of Harness, complete,  
in good order and condition. Also a Second-  
hand VICTORIA for Single or Pair Horses.  
Can be seen any day at Kennedy's Horse  
Repository, Causeway Bay.No reasonable offer refused.  
Apply—"A. B."  
C/o Hongkong Telegraph.

Hongkong, 7th February, 1906.

## To Let.

## TO LET.

TWO GODOWNS at East Point, close to  
the Water, suitable for the storage of  
any Cargo.

Floor Area 6,100 square feet each.

Apply to—  
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.

Hongkong, 20th January, 1906.

## TO LET.

NO. 15, KNUTSFORD TERRACE,  
KOWLOON.Apply to—  
THE HONGKONG LAND INVEST-  
MENT & AGENCY CO., LD.

Hongkong, 30th December, 1905.

## TO LET.

GODOWN No. 3, NEW PRAVA, Kennedy  
Town.Apply to—  
THE HONGKONG LAND INVEST-  
MENT & AGENCY CO., LD.

Hongkong, 27th June, 1905.

## TO LET.

A BUILDING at CAUSEWAY BAY, formerly  
in occupation of the Steam Laundry  
Co., Ltd.No. 5, CLIFTON GARDENS, Conduit  
Road.No. 6, CLIFTON GARDENS,  
No. 1, RIFON TERRACE.FLATS in MORETON TERRACE, facing  
Polo Ground.OFFICES in course of erection, Con-  
naught Road (near BLAKE PIER).

GODOWNS: PRAVA EAST.

Apply to—  
THE HONGKONG LAND INVEST-  
MENT & AGENCY CO., LD.

Hongkong, 5th February, 1906.

## Hotels.

KING EDWARD  
HOTEL.

A HIGH CLASS PRIVATE HOTEL.

LADIES' AFTERNOON TEA-ROOMS.

PRIVATE BAR and BILLIARD ROOMS.

HOT and COLD WATER throughout.

ELECTRICALLY LIGHTED. ELECTRIC FANS  
(if required).ELECTRIC PASSENGER ELEVATOR to each  
floor.

TABLE D'HOTE at separate tables.

For Terms, &amp;c., apply to the—

MANAGER.

Hongkong, 4th December, 1905.

OCCIDENTAL  
HOTEL.

EXCELLENT CUISINE.

MODERATE PRICES.

ELECTRIC FANS

TO ORDER IN

EVERY ROOM.

EUROPEAN MANAGEMENT.

ELGIN ROAD, KOWLOON.

Hongkong, 10th May, 1904.

ORIENTAL HOTEL,  
MACAO.A FIRST CLASS HOTEL situated in the  
Centre of Praya Grande with splendid  
view of the Harbour.LARGE and LOFTY ROOMS,  
Elegantly Furnished.

EXCELLENT CUISINE.

WINES and SPIRITS of the best quality.

BILLIARD TABLE, the best in the Far East.

EVERY COMFORT FOR RESIDENTS AND  
TOURISTS.

For Terms, &amp;c., apply to—

THE MANAGER.

Macao, 16th October, 1905.

## Intimation.

## THE HONGKONG TELEGRAPH.

1, ICE HOUSE ROAD,  
HONGKONG.

CABLE ADDRESS—Telegraph, Hongkong.

THE leading English Newspaper in China  
Also widely circulated in Japan, Coochin  
China, Ceylon, India and the Far East  
generally.A daily newspaper with weekly edition  
published for despatch by the homeward mail  
The daily is recommended as more generally  
suitable, except for subscribers in Europe or  
America.A special feature is made of full and accu-  
rate reports of local occurrences, and of mat-  
ters of general interest.

## ADVERTISING DEPARTMENT.

The Hongkong Telegraph is the best  
medium for advertising in China. It circulates  
largely among all classes of the community,  
is the largest daily newspaper and has a  
wider circulation than any journal in the Far  
East.Special attention given to effectively display-  
ing advertisements.The type used as a standard for setting  
advertisements is similar to this, unless we are  
instructed to display the advertisement, when  
any effective style of type will be adopted.  
This standard runs exactly eight lines to the  
inch, and about eight words to the line.

## DOMESTIC OCCURRENCES.

Notices of Births, Deaths, and Marriages  
in each insertion in the Daily and Weekly.

## CONTRACT ADVERTISEMENTS.

Special Rates for standing advertisements  
can be ascertained from the Manager.Advertisements for the Daily should reach  
the Hongkong Telegraph Office not later than  
noon of the day they are intended to appear.Unless otherwise specified all advertisements  
will be repeated and charged for until counter-  
manded.</



## Intimations.

## EQUITABLE LIFE ASSURANCE SOCIETY OF THE UNITED STATES.

## LETTER TO POLICYHOLDERS FROM THE PRESIDENT.

NEW YORK, December 14th, 1905.  
TO THE POLICYHOLDERS:

I HAD hoped to make some statement to you before this, but I have believed it was best to wait until I could give you a final conclusion in regard to the financial condition of the Society based on full investigation. This explains the delay in communicating with you. On June 9th last, under the condition that I should have full power as to men and methods, and with no pledges of any kind to any one, I was elected by the Directors of the Society as CHAIRMAN of the BOARD, and at once assumed the active management of the Society's affairs.

Soon after I was elected PRESIDENT of the SOCIETY and the Office of Chairman was abolished.

One of the first acts of my administration was the employment of Messrs. Price, Waterhouse & Company, chartered accountants of Great Britain and New York, and Messrs. Haskins & Sellers, certified public accountants of New York, to investigate the affairs of the Society, under directions to render complete and exhaustive reports on the following subjects:

1. The Society's annual expenses, including legal expenses, advertising expenses, agency expenses, and cost of securing business, and the real estate investments of the Company, including in the case of each parcel the value at which it is carried upon the books of the Society; the income which it yields; and the fair valuation of the property, whether above or below the value at which it is carried upon the books of the Society. (If necessary, real estate experts may be employed in ascertaining the value and income of the real estate, subject, of course, to my approval as to men and terms.)

2. The other investments of the Society; their character; and the circumstances under which they have been made.

3. The Society's surplus and the manner in which it is carried upon the books of the Society.

4. The methods of keeping the Society's accounts, and the respects in which its accounting may be improved.

5. The relations between the Society and the trust companies, banks, safe deposit companies, and other institutions with which the Society is affiliated by stock or otherwise. (In the case of any corporation in which the Society has a dominant or important interest, or with which the Society has special relations, the ownership of stock other than that owned by the Society should be ascertained so far as practicable.)

6. The subjects covered by the report of the Investigating Committee of which Mr. Frick was Chairman should be fully investigated.

7. When the report of the New York Superintendent of Insurance has been made that report should be carefully studied and every matter covered by it or by the recommendations of the Commissioner should be carefully examined.

Subsequently a still more elaborate plan of investigation was agreed upon with these accountants, and I doubt if any American insurance company ever before had such an exhaustive examination.

It has taken a large force of men five months to ascertain the exact financial status of the Society, now fully completed by the balance sheet transmitted with the following note and reproduced on pages 6 and 7.

New York, November 25th, 1905.  
MR. PAUL MORTON, President,  
The Equitable Life Assurance Society of the United States, 120, Broadway, New York.

DEAR SIR:—The exhaustive examination, which we have made of the affairs of the Equitable Life Assurance Society of the United States is so far completed that we are now able to furnish you with a Balance Sheet showing the true financial position of the Society on September 30th, 1905.

The Assets of the Society as claimed were all found to be on hand, and amounted in value to \$116,651,000 as shown by the Balance Sheet.

The Surplus over and above all Liabilities amounted to \$17,486,541.

A conservative valuation of the Assets, including a re-appraisal of all the real estate owned by the Society or covered by mortgages held by the Society, has resulted in a reduction in certain of the values adopted in the Society's last Annual Report, principally in Real Estate and in Stocks of certain financial institutions.

Yours very truly,  
(Signed) PRICE, WATERHOUSE & CO.,  
Chartered Accountants  
by A. LOWES DICKSON, F.C.A., C.P.A.  
(Signed) HASKINS & SELLERS,  
Certified Public Accountants,  
by ELIJAH W. SELLS, C.P.A.

You will be gratified to learn:

(1) That all the assets claimed by the Society are on hand, are of a high grade, and are conservatively worth \$116,651,000.

(2) That, over and above all liabilities, the surplus is \$17,486,541, about eight per cent of the assets, and is distributed among existing deferred annuities and policies at the end of their accumulation periods.

(3) That the reduction in the book value of our assets and surplus is caused by a revaluation on a conservative basis, and in no way reduces the income of the Society.

The decrease in the value of assets is chiefly in real estate which was carried at prices too high, and in shares of certain financial institutions which were carried at market prices based on transactions, which were deemed by the accountants to be excessive.

RETIREMENT.  
Economies amounting to \$300,000 a year have already been introduced, which if capitalized on a four per cent basis would be \$1,200,000. This more than covers the making down of assets. I expect to institute still further economies of a radical character.

RESTITUTION.  
Under the past management transactions involving the expenditure of large sums of money have been carried through frequently without any proper authority of the Board of Directors and with very meagre bookkeeping records, so that it has been difficult in many instances to secure explanation of certain transactions which have taken place during the last ten years, some of which involve a financial loss to the Society.

The liabilities claimed by the Society, and the amounts restored to the Society approximately \$1,000,000, and legal proceedings have been instituted for the recovery of considerable additional sums.

## Intimations.

## ANNUAL AUDIT.

It will be the policy of the new administration of the Society to insist on an independent audit of its accounts as to its fiscal condition, once each year, the result of which will be published.

## NOMINATION OF DIRECTORS.

Under the change in ownership of a majority of the stock, the shares were at once put in trust; and Directors were now nominated by the trustees—Hon. Grover Cleveland, Justice Morgan J. O'Brien, and Mr. George Westinghouse. Thirteen Directors are chosen annually, and the Trustees will each year offer an opportunity to the policyholders to express their preferences in respect of the choice of Directors.

## POLITICAL CONTRIBUTIONS.

It will be the policy of the Society hereafter not to make contributions to political campaigns. It is my opinion that we have no right to use the funds of the Society for any such purpose.

## REAL ESTATE MORTGAGES.

In the last ten years this Society has loaned over \$120,000,000 on real estate mortgages, mostly in large cities. Only six of these cases has it had to take property under foreclosure and in these six instances the property was sold so as to net a profit. It will continue to be the policy of the Society to make investments of this description.

## COST OF INSURANCE.

The very essence of life insurance is safety and this can be secured only by reasonable premiums.

A great many Equitable policyholders are doubtless asking themselves the question whether it will pay them to continue their policies. To such I wish to say most emphatically that my investigation of the affairs of the Society has convinced me that there is no cheaper way for the policyholders of the Society to have sound life insurance than by retaining their policies. As I have pointed out, the surplus of over \$17,000,000, are safely invested upon a basis which returns an excellent rate of interest upon the revised valuations, and I expect in due time to accomplish such economies that the cost of administration and securing new business will be reduced to the lowest possible basis consistent with safety and efficiency. I, accordingly, believe that by continuing your policies in the Equitable you will receive life insurance at the lowest cost consistent with safety.

I therefore advise you to continue to pay your premiums, to allow your policies to lapse will be doing your lives injustice. Your contracts with this Society are as safe and sound as anything earthly can be. Where lapses have already occurred the agents of the Society will cheerfully assist in restoring policies.

## EXTRAORDINARY EXPENSES IN 1905.

I congratulate you and all policyholders in solvent concerns on the reformatory results of the agitation of the past year. This Society alone has undergone four separate investigations since January 1st. The extraordinary legal and other expenses entailed thereby is amply compensated for by the enforced restitutions and checked waste hereinabove referred to and by the final assurance you now have of the soundness of your S. City. I am convinced that this and other investigations and the resulting stimulation of discussion have attracted public attention to the impregnable strength of established concerns like the Equitable more effectually than could have been done by any other means. While these investigations in my have been destructive of individual reputations, the utility of life insurance has been more fully demonstrated than ever before.

There will be no effort by the new administration to have the biggest camp in the world; the effort will be to make it the best and safest. Conservative lines will be followed. It will be the policy not to solicit or secure new business at the expense of the present policyholders, and in case it is determined that business in any section of the world is unprofitable, that field will be abandoned.

Over 98 per cent of our death claims are settled within 24 hours after proof of death is received, and since January 1st, 1905, through all of the agitation concerning life insurance, this Society alone has paid out in death claims and benefits of their kinds over \$3,167,799 every working day.

Assuring you that it will be my constant endeavor to conduct the affairs of this Society in a manner that will merit your hearty approval, I am,

Very truly yours,  
PAUL MORTON, President.

## BALANCE SHEET.

September 30th, 1905.

Assets.  
Real Estate ..... \$28,550,270.00  
Secured Loans ..... 113,776,000.00  
Bonds, Stocks and other Securities ..... 235,538,061.00  
Cash in Banks and Trust Companies deposited with Foreign Governments and in transit ..... 7,737,085.01  
Premiums in course of Collection ..... 5,805,443.64  
Agents' balances ..... 7,664,630.70  
Interest and rentals due ..... 4,014,097.65

Total assets ..... G. \$1,666,510.10

LIABILITIES.  
General Insurance Reserve; net present value of all outstanding policies computed with 4.03 and 4.1 per cent interest ..... 342,802,061.00  
Current liabilities: Death claims, endowments, annuities and dividends due and unpaid ..... 2,556,794.81  
Commissions and Current Expenses ..... 2,195,414.19  
Premiums, interest, &c., received in advance ..... 1,399,364.68  
Capital Stock ..... 100,000.00

Total liabilities ..... 349,033,631.68  
Surplus ..... 67,486,541.42

We hereby certify that in our opinion the above balance sheet is correct and is properly drawn up so as to show the true financial position of the Society at September 30th, 1905.

(Signed) PRICE, WATERHOUSE & CO.  
(Signed) HASKINS & SELLERS.

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## Shipping.

## Arrivals.

Binhuan, Fr. s.s., 1,100, Rebuilt, 14th Feb., Wakamatsu 7th Feb. Gen.—B. & Co.  
Kiukiang, Br. s.s., 1,228, W. O. Jones, 15th Feb., Shanghai 11th Feb. Gen.—B. & S.

Daigi Maru, J.P. s.s., 1,668, S. Tagami, 15th Feb., Swatow 14th Feb. Gen.—O. S. K.  
Hanoi, Fr. s.s., 730, P. Meurice, 15th Feb., Haiphong and Hoihow 14th Feb. Rice and Gen.—A. R. M.

Taiwan, Br. s.s., 1,014, J. A. Martin, 15th Feb., Wuhu and Chinkiang 9th Feb. Rice.—B. & S.  
Signal, Ger. s.s., 907, C. Hansi, 15th Feb., Bangkok 7th Feb. Rice and Gen.—J. & Co.

Matoppo, Br. s.s., 3,420, W. H. Dormand, 15th Feb., London via Colombo and Singapore 7th Feb. Gen.—N. Y. K.  
Johanne, Ger. s.s., 972, Ipland, 15th Feb., Haiphong 11th Feb. and Hoihow 14th Feb. Gen.—J. & Co.

Arabia, Ger. s.s., 4,483, Metzen, 14th Feb., Portland via Molt 10th Feb. Gen.—P. & A. S. S. Co.  
Loosok, Ger. s.s., 1,020, G. Schultzen, 16th Feb., Bangkok 8th Feb. Rice.—B. & S.

Hailan, Fr. s.s., 373, I. Andersen, 16th Feb., Pakhoi and Hoihow 14th Feb. Gen.—A. R. M.  
Vigilante, Fr. gunboat, 123, Brugnon, 16th Feb., Can on 15th Feb.

Clearances at the Harbour Office.  
Saimun, for Canton.  
Yuenang, for Manila.

## Departures.

Feb. 15.  
Non venture, Fr. cruiser, Singapore.  
Flier, Br. cruiser, for Shanghai.  
Arum, Br. torpedo-boat destroyer, for home.  
Flier, Br. torpedo-boat destroyer, for home.  
Ellerik, Br. torpedo-boat destroyer, for home.  
Dee, Br. torpedo-boat destroyer, for home.

## Feb. 16.

Banca, for Molt.  
Kochang, for Bangkok.  
Yachow, for Tacoma.  
Yachow, for Shanghai.  
Luchow, for Yokohama.  
Wakamatsu Maru, for Molt.  
Stittin, for Shanghai.  
Nanshan, for Swatow.  
Tatwan, for Canton.  
Kichang, for Canton.  
Yuenang, for Canton.  
Yuenang, for Manila.

## Passengers arrived.

Per Signal, from Bangkok—200 Chinese.  
Per Loosok, from Bangkok—Major and Mrs. Peters.  
Per Daigi Maru, from Swatow—128 Chinese, and 5 Japanese.

## Passengers departed.

Per Preussen, for Bremen, &c.—General and Mrs. de Althaus, Mr. and Mrs. Bailey, Messrs. Blodow, Beland, Mrs. Geo. Brathwaite and child, Mr. A. von Bernstorff, Miss Tea Blund, Mr. A. Blumberg, Rev. and Mrs. Blum and child, Messrs. Bosanquet, Bobrow, F. Bowker, Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Brockhoff, Mrs. Chorowkova, Rev. W. C. Butler, Miss Cox, Mr. and Mrs. Miss McCulloch, Messrs. M. A. de S. Dias, G. W. Davies, Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Easthead, Mr. and child, Rev. and Mrs. Elvin and child, Mr. Erdmann, Mr. and Mrs. Filipek and children, Mr. F. Henry, Miss Fugill, Dr. M. Gieske, Messrs. Gaudier, Gaudier, Germain, Mrs. Glanick, Rev. and Mrs. Gottschalk and children, Lieut. G. Grothues, Messrs. Gubser, A. Hanley, F. Haada, Miss Hawtree, Messrs. Holland, G. Ish ziki, Jakonschiff, J. Jensen, Lieut. G. Karunas, Mr. and Mrs. P. W. Kaemerer, Messrs. H. Kameier, R. Koenig, N. P. Koroleff, S. Kounura, Koroleff, Knieske, K. Kudo, Mr. and Mrs. Ledebner, Mr. H. Hiedfeld, Mr. and Mrs. Longstrich, Messrs. A. E. Leporier, Lewoff, Mrs. Lloyd and child, Messrs. Mack, E. Matsuyama, Mr. Marti, Mr. Meck, Capt. Miller, Messrs. S. Motoda, Markow, Messrs. Moring, J. B. Davis, Miss Paulley, Messrs. Plotte, A. Peacock, Mr. and Mrs. Pasco, Mr. Remyslav, Mrs. Raabben, Rev. C. Richardson, Mr. and Mrs. Riemeny, Mr. and Mrs. Rennekampff, Mr. Repinsky, Mr. and Mrs. O. Ritterholm, Messrs. W. M. Robertson, M. J. Salm, Miss J. Schneider-Erken, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Schoonmaker, Mrs. Scott, Lieut. Sievers, Messrs. A. Selig, Sleasneriff, Spiek, Rev. and Mrs. W. Sweet, Messrs. Time, J. Toubeau, Dr. Tallenier, Mr. I. F. Vaughan, Miss G. F. McVenn, Capt. Vendo, Mr. and Mrs. Washburn, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Wright, Mr. and Mrs. Wilkinson and children, Messrs. Wohlbitz, Wornowisch, Capt. R. Yashiro, and Mr. K. J. Young.

## Shipping Report.

Per Loosok from Bangkok:—Fine weather throughout the passage, light Ely and NEly winds.

Per Matoppo from Singapore:—Moderate NE winds, and thick weather approaching Hongkong.

Per Namrang from Calcutta:—Fine clear weather, light ENE winds, and moderate ENE, to NE, swell from Singapore to port.

Per Kiukiang from Shanghai:—Strong NE winds and overcast rainy weather, and moderate NE, sea to Breaker Point, from thence to port fresh wind and misty.

## Yessels in Port.

Apentrade, Ger. s.s., 1,000, Jorgensen, 14th Feb., Hoihow 7th Feb. Gen.—J. & Co.  
Binhuan, Fr. s.s., 2,000, R. Lazare, 13th Feb., Wakamatsu (Japan) 7th Feb. Coal.—B. & Co.

Cairo, Nor. s.s., 387, J. Larsen, 13th Feb., Molt 9th Feb. Gen.—Order.  
Copile, Br. s.s., 2,744, Wm. Finch, R.N.R., 13th Feb., San Francisco 10th Jan. Honolulu 17th, Yokohama 31st, Kobe 2nd Feb. Nagasaki 4th and Manila 10th, Mails and Gen.—O. S. S. Co.

Daini Tain Maru, Jap. s.s., 2,480, Kito, 11th Feb., Molt 30th Jan. Coal.—Mr. Kuschaba.

Derwent, Br. s.s., 1,502, J. Gookins, 10th Feb., Sourabaya 24th Jan. and Samarang 31st, Sugar and Molasses.—Man Fat.

Dr. Hans Jung Kier, Nor. s.s., 607, H. E. Larsen, 19th Dec., Hoihow 14th Dec. Sugar.—Aagaard & Thorsen Co.

Fausang, Br. s.s., 1,300, F. Wheeler, 10th Feb., Sourabaya 31st Jan. Sugar.—J. M. A. Co.

## Steamers.

Halmun, Br. s.s., 616, A. J. Robson, 15th Feb., Swatow 14th Feb. Gen.—D. L. & Co.  
Hans Wagner, Ger. s.s., 965, Kaymann, 3rd Feb., Swatow 2nd Feb. Ballast.—L. W. & Co.

Heimdel, Nor. s.s., 761, T. A. Johnson, 15th Feb., Canton 14th Feb. Gen.—Chinese.  
Keong Wai, Ger. s.s., 1,115, Koller, 14th Feb., Bangkok 6th Feb. Rice.—B. & S.

Kilburn, Br. s.s., 1,800, I. Templar, 15th Feb., Saigon 7th Feb. Gen.—Chinese.  
Lazeres, Br. s.s., 1,500, J. B. Jackson, 12th Feb., Saigon 7th Feb. Gen.—Chinese.  
Lennox, Br. s.s., 1,240, F. McNair, 14th Feb., Calcutta 24th Jan. Coal.—D. & Co. Ld.

Loyal, Ger. s.s., 1,736, L. Lorenzen, 13th Feb., Bangkok 3rd Feb. Rice.—S. W. & Co.  
Merapi, Dat. s.s., 1,552, E. M. Nedah, 10th Feb., Singapore 3rd Feb. Sugar.—Order.  
Mercedes, Br. transport, 2,007, J. S. McGregor, 6th Feb., from Palo Condore Island.

Nam Sang, Br. s.s., 2,191, Geo. Payne, 15th Feb., Calcutta 30th Jan. via Penang and Singapore 9th Feb. Gen.—J. M. & Co.  
Paoting, Br. s.s., 1,079, J. Cogan, 14th Feb., Hoihow 10th Feb. Sugar.—B. & S.

Rajaburi, Ger. s.s., 1,183, O. Koch, 10th Feb., Swatow 6th Feb. Rice.—B. & S.  
Rubi, Br. s.s., 1,610, R. W. Almond, 14th Feb., Manila 10th Feb. Gen.—T. & C.

Samsan, Ger. s.s., 1,000, F. Richwaldt, 14th Feb., Bangkok 6th Feb. Gen.—B. & S.  
Sungkiang, Br. s.s., 987, Pennefather, 10th Feb., Cebu and Hoihow 6th Feb. Sugar and Hemp.—B. & S.

Tartar, Br. s.s., 2,768, W. Davison, R.N.R., 6th Feb., Vancouver 8th Jan. and Shanghai 3rd Feb. Gen.—C. P. R. Co.

## Sailing Vessels.

Otra, Nor. ship, 1,199, E. Refines, 24th Dec., Fremantle 18th Oct. Sandalwood.—S. & Co.  
Rose, Br. sq., 823, Wright, 10th Nov., West Australia 4th Aug. Sandalwood.—S. & Co.  
Vincent, Br. ship, 1,774, Cox, 28th Jan., Philadelphia 20th July, 1905, Oil.—S. O. Co.

Kobo, Yokohama and Portland, Or.—Per Arabia, 21st Feb. 4 P.M.  
Singapore, Penang and Calcutta.—Per Namrang, 22nd Feb. 2 P.M.

Timor, Thursday Island, Cooktown, Cairns, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney, Hobart, Launceston, New Zealand, Melbourne, Adelaide, and Perth.—Per Yawata Maru, 23rd Feb. 3 P.M.

Manila.—Per Zafiro, 24th Feb. 10 A.M.  
Molt, Kobe, Yokohama, Victoria, B.C. and Tacoma, Wash.—Per Trement, 24th Feb. 10 A.M.

Kumme, &c., India, via Tuticorin.—Per Delhi, 24th Feb. 11 A.M.  
Shanghai, Molt, Kobe and Yokohama.—Per Tilmah, 24th Feb. 4 P.M.

Stavla, Cheribon, Samarang, Sourabaya and Maccassar.—Per Tiltumpe, 26th Feb. 4 P.M.  
Panna, &c., India, via Tuticorin.—Per Zlatia, 28th Feb. 11 A.M.

Maccassar and Vladivostok.—Per Slavonia, 28th Feb. 11 A.M.  
Manila, Zamboanga, Port Darwin, Thursday Island, Cooktown, Cairns, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney, Hobart, Launceston, New Zealand, Melbourne, Adelaide and Perth.—Per Rastara, 3rd Mar. 11 P.M.

Manila, Port Darwin, Thursday Island, Cooktown, Cairns, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney, Hobart, Launceston, New Zealand, Melbourne, Adelaide and Perth.—Per Rastara, 3rd Mar. 11 P.M.

Manila, Simpanhafen, F. Wilhelmshafen, Herberghshof, Yantou, Samray, Brisbane, Sydney and Melbourne.—Per Willard, 6th Mar. 10 A.M.

Europe, &c., India, via Tuticorin.—Per Tourane, 6th Mar. 11 A.M.  
Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Yokohama, Victoria and Vancouver, B.C.—Per Empress of Japan, 7th Mar. 11 A.M.

Turkey, &c., India, via Tuticorin.—Per Oceanic, 20th Mar. 11 A.M.

From and after the 1st January, 1906, the rate for Postcards from Australia to Hongkong and British Postal Agencies in China is one penny instead of one penny and half penny.

Mails for Canton, Shanghai, Wuchow and Macao will be closed on week days at 7.30 every morning. On Sundays the mail for Macao will be closed at 8 a.m., and that for Canton at 9 a.m.

Mails for Nantao, Sanbo, Kongmoon, Kuchuk, Samshai, Wuchow and Canton every evening at 5 p.m. On Sundays the mails will be closed at 9 a.m.

No mail will be closed for Canton on Saturday evening.

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Post Office.

A Mail will close for—  
Haiphong.—Per Hanoi, 17th Feb. 9 A.M.  
Manila.—Per Redi, 17th Feb. 11 A.M.  
Amoy, Manila, Cebu and Hoihow.—Per Samsang, 17th Feb. 11 A.M.  
Swatow and Hoihow.—Per Johanne, 17th Feb. 11 A.M.  
Macao.—Per Hinghian, 17th Feb. 1.15 P.M.  
Fookchow.—Per Fausang, 17th Feb. 3 P.M.  
Swatow and Shanghai.—Per Choyang, 17th Feb. 5 P.M.  
Bangkok.—Per Loyal, 17th Feb. 5 P.M.  
Swatow, Amoy and Tamui.—Per Daigi Maru, 17th Feb. 5 P.M.  
Hoihow and Pakhoi.—Per Hailan, 17th Feb. 5 P.M.

Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Yokohama, Honolulu and San Francisco.—Per Copile, 20th Feb. 10 A.M.

Europe, &c., India, via Tuticorin.—Per Palala, 20th Feb. 11 A.M.

Macao, Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Yokohama, Honolulu and San Francisco.—Per Copile, 20th Feb. 11 A.M.

Manila.—Per Taimar, 20th Feb. 4 P.M.

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